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## BOSTON STRONG

Thomas Feller carries two American flags as he embraces a friend after they cross the finish line of the Boston Marathon route on the one-year anniversary of the bombings in Boston, April 15, 2014. The city paused Tuesday to honor those who had been killed and wounded and to demonstrate its defiance and resilience in the face of the attack.

(Gretchen Ertl/The New York Times)

## One Year On, a Day of Reflection and Hope

**KATHARINE Q. SEELYE**  
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**BOSTON** - "There are no strangers here," Gov. Deval Patrick said Tuesday about Boston, during a ceremony marking one year since the deadly bombing at the

city's marathon. "We are in the end, one community" that "turns to each other in times of need." Patrick's words encapsulated the sense of a city still grappling with a day that shattered a joyful ritual

dating back more than a century, but also engendered a resolve borne out in a now ubiquitous slogan, "Boston Strong." As speaker after speaker rose to the podium at a ceremony at the John B.

Hynes Veterans Memorial Convention Center, each offered testimony to the power of a city working together, and of neighbors and strangers rushing to help those who were injured.

"It will always be hard," said Thomas M. Menino, mayor at the time of the tragic attack, who referred to the city of Boston as "this broken city."

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# One Year On, a Day of Reflection and Hope

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"We long to be anywhere but here, 365 days after hate and violence interrupted a beautiful day," he said.

Mayor Martin Walsh, who will oversee next week's race, pledged that it would be "a living, breathing celebration of our resilience." But within the tribute came a reminder from a woman injured in the bombing.

"Make every single second count," said Adrienne Haslet-Davis, who lost her left foot in the attack. "Because believe me, they do."

The families of the three people killed in the blasts, along with many of the more than 260 who were wounded, attended the city's tribute, in which Vice President Joe Biden said that the survivors had become symbols of American courage.

"You are living proof that America can never, never, never be defeated," he said. "You're here. You're undeterred, and you're unyielding."

The program was followed by a flag-raising ceremony and a moment of silence at the marathon finish line on Boylston Street, where two homemade explosives were detonated last April 15 as runners finished the race.

After passing through security, passers-by packed into barricaded areas to watch the flag-raising ceremony after the tribute, undeterred by the rain. There was a gasp of recognition as Carlos Arredondo, the cowboy-hat-wearing bystander seen in an iconic photo helping to rush a victim, Jeff Bauman, in a wheelchair away from the scene of the bombs, arrived at the ceremony. The bells across the city tolled at 2:49, the time of the first explosion.

Earlier on Boylston Street, a wreath was placed at the site of each bomb blast - one just steps from the finish line in front of the Boston Public Library, and the other about a block away near the Forum restaurant.

The anniversary drew a stream of onlookers, from tourists who wanted to see the site to last year's runners who had returned to remember, some wearing the bright blue and yellow marathon jackets that became a de facto symbol of solidarity last year.

Dan Foley, 32, an insurance manager from Uxbridge, Mass., was about a mile from the finish line when the bombs went off last year, and returned here Tuesday for the first time since the bombing.

"My family was right down the street on Pine Street, right across from the second bomb - I didn't realize till today how close they were to it, so it's hard, being here," said Foley, who is running the 2014 Marathon to raise money for the American Stroke Association.

"There's nothing like this street and I'm sure there's going to be nothing like it on Monday," he added.

Katie Casey, a 42-year-old nurse from Dedham, Mass., walked with her husband and children past the finish line on Tuesday, seeking closure.

"It's my first time here, since I never finished last year," Casey said. She ran last year, and was half a mile from the finish line when the bombs went off; her husband and children had



Standing with members of victims' families, dignitaries including, front row from left: former Boston Mayor Thomas Menino, current Boston Mayor Marty Walsh, Vice President Joe Biden and Mass. Gov. Deval Patrick commemorate the one-year anniversary of the Boston Marathon bombings, April 15, 2014. The city paused Tuesday to honor those wounded and killed in the attack. (Gretchen Ertl/The New York Times)

been at the finish line, and she used a stranger's cell-phone to call her husband, who had run to safety with the children.

"I was stopped in the middle of the road, not knowing what was going on, and they were actually here, heard everything, and saw," said Casey, who plans to run the marathon again next week. Her family will be there to cheer her on, but they have not decided whether they will

watch at the finish line or somewhere else along the route.

The day was not without a particularly unwelcome reminder of last year: Police bomb squads detonated a suspicious device found near a state Department of Transportation regional office, although the authorities said they do not yet know whether the device was an explosive.

There will be a candlelight vigil later Tuesday in

Dorchester, led by Walsh, and a service at the Old South Church, one of Boston's most historic buildings, which is near the finish line.

The service is to include a reference to the Book of Nehemiah, which relates to the rebuilding of the walls of Jerusalem.

"Nehemiah teaches us that though grief and tragedy will strike and strike mightily, it is possible indeed imperative to rebuild community life," according to prepared remarks to be delivered by Boston's Imam Suhaib Webb. "'Boston Strong' has meant everything from amputees dancing on prosthetic limbs, to millions of dollars raised to help the victims, to an interfaith community which refused to be pulled apart."

The events began a week of ceremonies and commemorations that will culminate Monday, with the 118th running of the marathon, traditionally one of Boston's most festive occasions.

Because so many people want to show their solidarity with Boston, 1 million spectators are expected at the marathon, twice the usual number. □



People photograph a banner reading "Boston Strong" as it hangs at Rows Wharf on the first anniversary of the Boston Marathon bombings, Tuesday, April 15, 2014, in Boston.

(AP Photo/Bill Sikes)

# Supremacist faces murder charges in Kansas deaths

**BILL DRAPER**

**Associated Press**

**OVERLAND PARK, Kansas (AP)** — A white supremacist charged in shootings that left three people dead at two Jewish community sites in suburban Kansas City was brought into a video conference room in a wheelchair Tuesday to make his first court appearance.

Wearing a dark, sleeveless anti-suicide smock, Frazier Glenn Cross stood under his own power to face the camera, crossing his arms and speaking only when answering routine questions from the judge in a Johnson County courtroom several miles away. He requested a court-appointed lawyer.

A Johnson County Sheriff's Office spokesman declined to say Tuesday why Cross was in a wheelchair. Prosecutors declined to answer questions about Cross' health Monday. The 73-year-old is being held on \$10 million bond and his next court appearance is scheduled for April 24.

Physician William Lewis Corporon, 69, and his 14-year-old grandson, Reat Griffin Underwood, were shot and killed outside of the Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City. Both were Methodist. Moments later, Terri LaManno, a 53-year-old Catholic occupational therapist and mother of two, was gunned down outside Village Shalom, a Jewish retirement complex where she was visiting her mother.

Johnson County District Attorney Steve Howe said specific details about actions that led to the charges against Cross are contained in an affidavit, which under Kansas law is not considered public information. The criminal complaint released Tuesday describes the charges and includes a list of witnesses, but nothing else.

In Kansas, one of the narrow circumstances in which capital murder cases are pursued includes the intentional killing of more than one person in "the

same act or transaction or in two or more acts or transactions connected together or constituting parts of a common scheme or course of conduct."

In this case, a single charge was applied to the deaths of Corporon and his grandson because the deaths occurred in a very short period of time as part of the same act, prosecutors said. LaManno's death doesn't meet the standard for capital murder, Howe said, but he would not provide details or evidence to explain. Federal prosecutors say there's enough evidence to warrant putting the case before a grand jury as a hate crime, but U.S. Attorney Barry Grissom said Tuesday that federal charges were likely a week or more away. Cross' state case would have to be resolved before he could be moved to a federal trial.

"Our system is more nimble, we can move a little bit quicker than the federal system. ... This isn't about retribution, this is about seeking justice," Howe said. Cross is a Vietnam War veteran from southwest Missouri who founded the Carolina Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in his native North Carolina and later the White Patriot Party.

Cross shouted "heil Hitler" at television cameras as he was arrested after Sunday's killings, which shocked the city on the eve of Passover and refocused attention on the nation's problem with race-related violence. The Institute for Research & Education on Human Rights made a presentation on white supremacists at the Jewish Community Center in August, the Kansas City, Missouri-based group's vice president Devin Burghart said. That discussion included a description of Cross as an example of dangerous anti-Semitic figures in the region.

It wasn't clear what, if any, steps were taken by the center to act on the information. Annette Fish, director of the "Day of Discovery" event during which the presentation was given, said she did not attend

that session — one of 30 offered in what she called an educational program for the Jewish community.

The Southern Poverty Law Center, a nonprofit that monitors the activities of known white supremacists,

says Cross also went by the name Frazier Glenn Miller. During the early 1980s, Cross was "one of the more notorious white supremacists in the U.S.," according to the Anti-Defamation League.

He was the target of a nationwide manhunt in 1987, and federal agents tracked him and three other men to a rural Missouri home stocked with hand grenades and automatic weapons. □



**Frazier Glenn Cross, also known as Frazier Glenn Miller, appears at his arraignment in New Century, Kan., Tuesday, April 15, 2014. Cross is being charged for shootings that left three people dead at two Jewish community sites in suburban Kansas City on April 13. At right is Michelle Durrett, attorney with the public defender's office.**

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## New York police end Muslim surveillance program

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Associated Press

**NEW YORK (AP)** — A special New York Police Department unit that sparked controversy by tracking the daily lives of Muslims in an effort to detect terror threats has been disbanded, police officials said Tuesday.

NYPD spokesman Stephen Davis confirmed that detectives assigned to the unit had been transferred to other duties within the department's Intelligence Division.

An ongoing review of the division by new Police Commissioner William Bratton found that the same information collected by the unit could be better collected through direct

contact with community groups, officials said.

In a statement, Mayor Bill de Blasio, a Democrat, called the move "a critical step forward in easing tensions between the police and the communities they serve, so that our cops and our citizens can help one another go after the real bad guys."

The Demographics Unit, conceived with the help of a CIA agent working with the NYPD, assembled databases on where Muslims lived, shopped, worked and prayed. Plainclothes officers infiltrated Muslim student groups, put informants in mosques, monitored sermons and cataloged Muslims in New York who adopted new, Americanized surnames.



**A group of people hold signs protesting the New York Police Department's program of infiltrating and informing on Muslim communities during a rally near police headquarters in New York. On Tuesday, April 15, 2014, the NYPD confirmed it disbanded the special intelligence unit that monitored Muslim communities in New York and New Jersey.**

(AP Photo/Seth Wenig)

After a series of stories by The Associated Press detailing the extent of the NYPD's surveillance of Muslims, two civil rights lawsuits were filed challenging the activities as unconstitutional because they focused on people's religion, national origin and race.

Former Police Commissioner Ray Kelly had defended the surveillance tactics, saying officers observed legal guidelines while attempting to create an early warning system for terrorism. But in a deposition made public in 2012, an NYPD chief testified that the unit's work had never generated a lead or triggered a terrorism investigation in the previous six years.

Linda Sarsour, the executive director of the Arab American Association of New York, said she was among a group of advocates at a private meeting last week with police brass at which the department's new intelligence chief, John Mill-

er, first indicated the unit — renamed the Zone Assessment Unit — wasn't viable. She applauded the decision but said there's still concern about the police use of informants to infiltrate mosques without specific evidence of crime.

"This was definitely a part of the big puzzle that we're trying to get dismantled," Sarsour said.

But, she added, "This doesn't necessarily prove to us yet that these very problematic practices are going to end."

Another person at the meeting, Fahd Ahmed, legal and policy director of Desis Rising Up and Moving, called the decision "a small step." He questioned what had happened to the information gathered by the unit.

"The concern wasn't just about the fact that this data was being collected secretly — it was about the fact that this data was being collected at all," he said. □

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# Chief: Suspects wore GPS devices during killings

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Associated Press

ANAHEIM, California (AP)

— Two parolees raped and killed at least four women while wearing GPS trackers, and there may be more victims, a California police chief alleged this week.

Franc Cano and Steven Dean Gordon, both registered sex offenders, were both wearing ankle bracelets when the women were assaulted and killed last fall and earlier this year, Anaheim police Chief Raul Quezada said at a news conference.

Authorities at the news conference did not explain how Cano and Gordon allegedly managed to carry out the killings while under supervision, but Quezada said data from the GPS devices "was one of the investigative tools we used to put the case together." Anaheim police Lt. Bob Dunn earlier said the two were complying with a requirement to check in monthly with authorities and police had no reason to watch them more closely and hadn't received any such request from other agencies.

The discovery of one woman's body on a conveyor belt at an Anaheim trash-sorting plant was the key to breaking the case, he said. Investigators were seeking the other bodies.

"They put a stop to a serial killing that would likely have continued beyond this point," District Attorney Tony Rackauckas said at the news conference.

Quezada said authorities were confident that there was at least a fifth victim and perhaps more.

The department has contacted other places with missing persons cases across the country, Dunn said. Police believe the men killed a woman in Anaheim this year and three others in Santa Ana last October and November while on parole.

Cano, 27, and Gordon, 45, were arrested by investigators on Friday. Each man was charged Monday with four felony counts of spe-



Santa Ana Police Chief Carlos Rojas speaks at a news conference in Anaheim, Calif., to publicly discuss the deaths of four women allegedly raped and killed by two parolees wearing GPS trackers.

(AP Photo/Leonard Ortiz)

cial circumstances murder and four felony counts of rape.

If convicted, they could face a minimum sentence of life without parole or the death penalty. They were being held without bail and expected to be arraigned Tuesday.

Police at first didn't link the disappearances of the four women to the suspects, considering them missing persons rather than murder victims. "These individuals were not on our radar whatsoever," Santa Ana Police Chief Carlos Rojas said of the suspects. "Our three missing in Santa Ana just completely went off the grid and we were trying to follow up as much as we could." Santa Ana police searched a canyon, examined the women's cellphone records, alerted hospitals, put the word out on social media and even checked motels they were known to frequent but without success in finding them. Then the naked body of Jarrae Nykole Estep, 21, was found March 14 on a conveyor belt at an Anaheim trash-sorting plant. Once investigators concluded that Estep was killed and that she had "a similar profile to our victims, we were able to ... move forward," Rojas said. □

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# First US women move into Army platoon artillery jobs

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Associated Press

**FORT BRAGG, North Carolina (AP)** — Under a canopy of trees on the edge of a large field, soldiers from Bravo Battery are lying in a circle as they pore over targeting charts. Nearby, others are preparing the howitzer cannons as helicopters swoop overhead. At the edge of the circle, the platoon leader watches as the field artillerymen go through their training exercise.

No one seems to notice the small knot of hair at the base of the lieutenant's helmet, or that 1st Lt. Kelly Requa is the only woman on the field at Campbell's Crossroads on the sprawling grounds of Fort Bragg. By January 2016, the U.S. military must open all combat jobs to women or explain why any must remain closed. The Army in November officially began assigning female officers to lead the cannon platoons and plans to open other jobs, including those of crew members within the field artillery units.

The integration comes as the military struggles with an increase in reports of sexual harassment and assault and as Congress battles with the Pentagon over how those cases are prosecuted.

Some of those concerns were reflected in how senior commanders are preparing the men as women arrive — and what the men say concerns them, from whether women can keep up to whether the men's

salty language will be too offensive.

At the base near Fayetteville, Requa is one of at least eight female lieutenants who were brought into the 3rd Battalion of the 321st Field Artillery Regiment beginning late last year to lead the field artillery units. For now, she's the only woman in her platoon. Later this spring, women will begin serving

team building and moral character.

"From a leadership perspective the biggest concern that we discussed was possible misconduct," said Lt. Col. Christopher Valeriano, the 3rd Battalion's commander. "Introducing females into an all-male unit, at least for the initial piece of it, could lead to a spike in misconduct."

Commanders, he said,

So far, he hasn't seen any problems. It's been "pretty impressive to see the women coming in and running circles around the men," he said. "Most of my female lieutenants outrun my male lieutenants. On overall strength, the males are stronger. But the females — endurance-wise and running — really made these guys take their game up a notch." Valeriano

tillery community. Some hadn't had women in their units ... so at the tactical level where these guys are operating and conducting fire missions, they don't see women normally. Now they're being led by a bunch of women." Col. Trevor Bredenkamp, commander of the 82nd Airborne Division's 1st Brigade Combat Team, said he had lunch to discuss the situation with his battalion commanders and talked to other officers across the 4,400-member brigade. He met with all the unit's female soldiers to make sure they heard directly from him that he will not tolerate sexual harassment. And he said he routinely gets together with new soldiers in the brigade to talk about the importance of being a team and treating others with dignity and respect.

"When I jump out of an airplane in the middle of the night and I land next to somebody else, I've got to trust them," he said. "It doesn't matter what gender they are."

While men largely said they were unconcerned about the integration of women into their unit, commanders said some initially weren't too thrilled. So Army leaders are watching to see whether Requa and the other women can fit in, keep up and lead.

Capt. Fred Janoe is in charge of Bravo Battery, roughly 100 people including two platoons — Requa's and one other — and some support personnel. □



**1st Lt. Kelly Requa watches over soldiers during certification at a fires direction center at Ft. Bragg, N.C. Requa is breaking new ground at Fort Bragg. She's one of a small number of female lieutenants brought into lead a cannon platoon at the North Carolina base. By January 2016, the U.S. military must open all combat jobs to women or explain why any must remain closed.**

(AP Photo/Gerry Broome)

as crew members — soldiers who actually position the 4,000-pound (1,800-kilogram) cannons, zero in on targets and fire the rounds.

For the women, the integration means more pressure and scrutiny. For the men, it means more training in sexual-assault awareness and prevention, and more lectures on respect,

were worried about sexual harassment and assault incidents as well as inappropriate consensual relationships as they moved women into the small artillery units. He said platoon members on deployment can be on duty for 24 hours straight, crowded together in the cab of a rocket launcher the size of a large truck cab.

and other commanders met with the platoons before the women arrived to talk about team building and good moral character and let the men air any concerns. "We had to sit them down as a preemptive strike to make sure they were prepared for this," Valeriano said. "They knew it was coming. It was just new to the overall ar-

# 'Shrimp Boy' pleads not guilty to felony charges

**PAUL ELIAS**  
Associated Press

**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)** — Raymond "Shrimp Boy" Chow, a central figure in a sweeping San Francisco organized crime and public corruption case, pleaded not guilty Tuesday to all charges related to the investigation.

Prosecutors say that Chow is the leader of a notorious gang based in San Francisco's Chinatown. Chow's been charged with eight

counts of money laundering, one count of conspiracy to sell stolen liquor and one count of trafficking in illegal cigarettes.

His lawyer Greg Bentley entered the plea for Chow, who remains in custody and appeared in court in his jail garb.

Bentley and Chow's two other lawyers argue that their client is an innocent community organizer wrongly caught up in a politically charged inves-

tigation that also led to charges against state Sen. Leland Yee.

Yee is accused of accepting bribes and attempting to connect an undercover FBI agent with an arms dealer in exchange for cash. Yee has pleaded not guilty.

Specifically, Yee is charged with trading political influence in exchange for campaign contributions. In December, while Yee was still running for Califor-

nia secretary of state, he sat down for an interview with a nonprofit news organization based in Santa Ana and discussed campaign financing and open government. Yee abandoned that campaign the day after his March 26 arrest.

Yee told the Voice of Orange County in a Dec. 2 visit to its offices that lawmakers give in to temptation because of a feeling of entitlement.

"There's that old adage about power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely," Yee said in the interview the Voice posted on its website Monday. "It's just human nature."

Assuming the mindset of a corrupt politician, Yee said that "after a while you kind of feel that you deserve all the perks of office because you suffer so much, you give up so much. You should have all those kind of trappings." □



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# America's homebuilder confidence edges up in April

**PAUL WISEMAN**  
AP Economics Writer

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — U.S. homebuilders' confidence in the housing market rose modestly in April but remained at low levels for the third straight month, constrained by tight credit for home buyers and a shortage of workers and available land. The National Association of Home Builders/Wells Fargo builder sentiment index, which measures confidence in the single-family home market, edged up to 47 in April from 46 in March, the homebuilders group reported Tuesday. Readings below 50 mean builders view sales conditions as poor. The index had been above 50 from June through January.

Builders recently have complained that they can't find enough workers or lots to build on.

Many home buyers also have had trouble qualifying for mortgages. The homebuilders' index of traffic by prospective buyers stayed at 32 in April. The latest reading, based on responses from 301 builders, comes as the spring home-selling season gets going. The season typically sets the pattern for residential hiring and building construction in the ensuing months. The overall confidence index was below 50 in all four regions of the United States — 36 in the Northeast, 45 in the West and 48 in the Midwest and South.

"Builder confidence has been in a holding pattern the past three months," said Kevin Kelly, chairman of the homebuilders association and a developer from Wilmington, Delaware "Looking ahead, as the spring home buying season gets into full swing and demand increases, builders are expecting

sales prospects to improve in the months ahead."

The index measuring their confidence in home sales over the next six months rose to 57, highest since January. Housing, while still a long way from the boom of the mid-2000s, has been recovering. Residential construction has grown at double-digit rates over the past two years and contributed about one-third of a percentage point to overall economic growth in both 2012 and 2013.

Though new homes represent only a fraction of the housing market, they have an outsize impact on the economy. Each home built creates an average of three jobs for a year and generates about \$90,000 in tax revenue, according to data from the homebuilders association. □



A builder works on a home under construction in northwest Chicago. U.S. homebuilders' confidence in the housing market rose modestly in April but remained at low levels for the third straight month, constrained by tight credit for home buyers and a shortage of workers and available land, according to a National Association of Home Builders report released Tuesday, April 15, 2014. (AP Photo/Nam Y. Huh)

# US consumer prices up a slight 0.2% in March

**JOSH BOAK**  
AP Economics Writer

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Lower U.S. gasoline prices kept consumer inflation in check last month, helping to offset higher costs for food and clothing.

The Labor Department said Tuesday that the consumer price index rose 0.2 percent in March, after scant 0.1 percent increases in the previous two months. Prices have risen just 1.5 percent year over year. That remains well below the Federal Reserve's 2 percent target for inflation. Excluding the volatile food and energy categories, core prices increased 0.2 percent in March and 1.7 percent in the past year. Prices at the gas pump tumbled 1.7 percent in March, lowering costs for the overall energy category. But food prices jumped



Gasoline is pumped into an automobile at a Phillips 66 gas station in Little Rock, Ark. Lower U.S. gasoline prices kept consumer inflation in check last month, helping to offset higher costs for food and clothing. The Labor Department said Tuesday, April 15, 2014, that the consumer price index rose 0.2 percent in March, after scant 0.1 percent increases in the previous two months. (AP Photo/Danny Johnston)

0.4 percent, led by increases in eggs, milk, butter, oranges, pork chops, ground beef and poultry. Prices for clothing, used cars and cable television also rose. Overall, signs point to continued low inflation. Sluggish

growth and a tough job market have limited price increases, making it harder for retailers and other businesses to charge more. "Prices are creeping higher," said Jennifer Lee, senior economist at BMO

Capital Markets, "but with wage growth still modest and lots of retail competition, inflation should remain in check for now."

Consumer prices rose just 1.5 percent for all of 2013, down from 1.8 percent in 2012. Though shoppers welcome lower prices, super-low inflation can stall economic growth. Lower prices encourage consumers to delay purchases. Extremely low inflation can also raise inflation-adjusted interest rates, thereby discouraging borrowing. Still, low inflation has enabled the Fed to pursue extraordinary stimulus programs to try to boost economic growth.

The Fed is now trying to unwind some of that stimulus. It plans to buy \$55 billion in bonds this month, down from \$85 billion in March of last year. □



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## Washington Retail District's Future Rides on Streetcars

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**WASHINGTON** - The streetcars stopped running in 1949, replaced by buses. After the assassination of

investment within 10 years of the lines' completion.

"What light rail does for a retail corridor is it's really a big multiplier," said developer Jim Abdo, whose

naissance.

Anwar Saleem, 59, a business owner and executive director of the nonprofit H Street Main Street, grew up in the neighborhood

ton, DC Economic Partnership, a nonprofit organization that promotes business opportunities, 63 percent of the neighborhood's nearly 16,000 residents

two-thirds of the planned system would restore service to former trolley routes. The new network is intended to complement the regional Metro rail and bus system. Installation of streetcar tracks and overhead wires began in 2009. Since December, the District's Department of Transportation has been testing three electrified vehicles along the route. The city owns six streetcars, made in Portland, Ore., and the Czech Republic. They cost \$4 million each. The cost to build the H Street line is \$135 million.

The start of service has been delayed several times while the testing goes on and operators are hired and trained. Meanwhile, the city has been ramping up its promotional efforts, distributing "Friend of DC Streetcar" decals and coasters to H Street restaurants and businesses.

Along the route, a dozen raised platforms are in place for passengers to get on and off.

"We have a stop right in front of our restaurant," said Ron McNeil, general manager of Smith Commons Dining Room & Public House, which opened about three years ago. "The buzz on H Street is good. The whole area is much more vibrant. You see a lot of construction." Terry Bellamy, director of the district's transportation agency, said the initial line was projected to have "over 1 million rides" in its first year of operation. For a while at least, buses will continue to operate with the streetcars on the route. Fares are expected to be \$1 with a computerized "Smart Trip" card, or \$2 in cash. But officials expect a much bigger payoff. □



**Workers test new streetcars which will run along the H Street NE shopping district in Washington, April 9, 2014. This summer, after 65 years, streetcars will again travel the former commercial corridor and hopes are high that they will drive development.**

(Daniel Rosenbaum/The New York Times)

the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. the 1968 riots devastated the commercial corridor. Only in recent years has revitalization occurred and gentrification taken hold.

This summer, if all goes as planned, the return of streetcars after 65 years will be another step forward for the former H Street NE shopping district in the nation's capital.

The return of the trolleys is being hailed by city officials, businesses and developers as a new generator of economic wealth that will more than pay for the first of eight planned and heavily subsidized streetcar lines, eventually extending for 37 miles throughout the District of Columbia. District planners are projecting as much as \$8 billion in new

conversion of a late 19th-century building that was once a convent and then the former Capital Children's Museum into high-end condos a few years ago was an early catalyst for much of what has happened since.

Abdo's Landmark Lofts at Senate Square anchors the west end of H Street NE and the western terminus of the 2.4-mile line, across the Hopscotch Bridge from the District's train terminal, the 1907 Beaux-Arts Union Station, also a major hub for East Coast travel.

The renovated Atlas Performing Arts Center, formerly a movie house that closed after the riots, anchors the east end of the corridor. Expectations are that the streetcars will accelerate the H Street re-

and rode the streetcars as a boy. "Before the riots, H Street was a hustling, bustling neighborhood," Saleem said. "You could buy anything, from jewelry to music. You name it, H Street had it. Oh, it was crowded. It was one of the best commercial areas in the city." Today, H Street residents, once predominantly low-income African-Americans, are increasingly mixed, racially and economically, as rowhouses within a block or two of the corridor undergo upscale renovations, property values rise, and ethnic restaurants and fashionable pubs proliferate. A 39,000-square-foot Whole Foods is set to open in 2016. Now, within a half mile of H Street, according to a report by the Washing-

are college graduates, 31 percent have graduate degrees, and the median household income is \$90,397, compared with a Census Bureau estimate of \$64,267 citywide.

"What I like about H Street is that, even with gentrification, it still has an air of genuine H Street culture," said Amy Lettis, 39, a songwriter who recently moved to the neighborhood with her friend Kristen Owens, 23, a singer who also is a hostess at Sticky Rice, an Asian fusion restaurant. "I don't think corporate America will ever take it over."

The District's streetcar era began with horse-drawn cars in 1870 and ended in January 1962 with the last run on a route from Union Station to Glen Echo in suburban Maryland. Some



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# Ukraine bares teeth against eastern uprising

**PETER LEONARD YURAS KARMANAU**  
Associated Press  
**KRAMATORSK, Ukraine**

**(AP)** — In the first Ukrainian military action against a pro-Russian uprising in the east, government forces repelled an attack Tuesday by about 30 gunmen at an airport, beginning what the president called an “anti-terrorist operation” to try to restore authority over the restive region.

The central government has so far been unable to rein in the insurgents, who it says are being stirred up by paid operatives from Russia and have seized numerous government facilities in at least nine eastern cities to press their demands for broader autonomy and closer ties with Russia. Complicating the political landscape, many local security forces have switched to their side.

The clashes Tuesday came at Kramatorsk airport, just south of the city of Sloviansk, which has come under the increasing control of the pro-Russian gunmen who seized it last weekend. The precise sequence of events was mired in confusion amid contradictory official claims.

The commander of the Ukrainian operation, Gen. Vasyl Krutov, speaking outside Kramatorsk airport, said his men managed to thwart an attack by fighters in green military uniforms without insignia who tried to storm the facility in the late afternoon. An Associated Press reporter and camera crew heard rounds

of gunfire at the time. After the armed standoff, hundreds of local people surrounded the airport in response to rumors that government troops were planning to launch a military operation on the city of Kramatorsk itself. Some in the crowd attempted to enter the military facility, prompting Ukrainian troops to fire bursts of warning shots.

In an attempt to defuse the situation, Gen. Krutov came out to speak to the angry protesters but was attacked by them. After a tussle in which his hat was knocked to the ground, he managed to take refuge in the airport.

There were conflicting reports of casualties.

Yury Zhadobin, coordinator of a pro-Russian defense force, said two people were slightly injured and were taken to a hospital. Russian media, without sourcing, claimed anywhere from four to 11 casualties at the airport. Ukraine’s government said there were no casualties, adding that Ukrainian forces took an unspecified number of militiamen prisoner.

While Krutov spoke of repelling an attack, the new government in Kiev declared that its forces had recaptured the airport from militiamen.

“I just got a call from the Donetsk region: Ukrainian special forces have liberated the airport in the city of Kramatorsk from terrorists,” acting President Oleksandr Turchynov told parliament.

“I’m convinced that there will not be any terrorists left soon in Donetsk and other regions and they will find

themselves in the dock — this is where they belong.” Hours earlier, Turchynov had announced the start

of what what he called “an anti-terrorist operation” against the pro-Russian insurgents. □



Ukrainian army troops set up a position at an airport in Kramatorsk, eastern Ukraine, Tuesday, April 15, 2014. In the first Ukrainian military action against a pro-Russian uprising in the east, government forces clashed Tuesday with about 30 armed gunmen at a small airport in Kramatorsk. (AP Photo/Sergei Grits)

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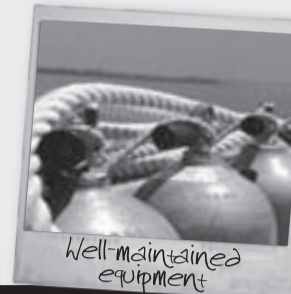
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## AP NewsBreak: Iran reduces nuke weapons ability

**GEORGE JAHN**  
**Associated Press**

**VIENNA (AP)** — The United Nations will release a report this week certifying that Iran's ability to make a nuclear bomb has been greatly reduced because it has diluted half of its material that can be turned most quickly into weapons-grade uranium, diplo-

20-percent enriched uranium, which is only a technical step away from the 90-percent grade used to arm nuclear weapons. By late last year, Iran had already amassed almost enough of the 20-percent grade for one nuclear bomb, with further enrichment.

Under the agreement,

longer than doing so from the 20-percent enriched material, giving more time for the international community to react. Iran says it is not interested in nuclear weapons but is negotiating because it wants an end to all sanctions.

The U.N. nuclear agency is due this week to report on Iran's adherence to the deal and two diplomats told The Associated Press that it would say that Iran has fulfilled its dilution commitment while continuing the process of conversion into oxide.

Iran has until June to fulfill all of its commitments under the deal. But it has to show progress in exchange for sanctions relief, and one of the diplomats said it apparently decided to complete dilution now because it was eager to get its hand on the next tranche of some \$4.2 billion of oil revenue funds frozen under international sanctions meant to force it into nuclear compromise. The two are familiar with Iran's adherence to its commitments. They demanded anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the confidential International Atomic Energy Agency report, due for release Wednesday or Thursday. □



European foreign policy chief Catherine Ashton and Iranian Foreign Minister Mohamad Javad Zarif, from left, arrive to address the media after closed-door nuclear talks in Vienna, Austria. (AP Photo/Ronald Zak)

mats said Tuesday. The move is part of Iran's commitments under a deal with six world powers in effect since January that mandates some nuclear concessions on the part of Tehran in exchange for a partial lifting of sanctions crippling its economy.

A key concern for the six was Iran's stockpile of

Iran agreed to halt its 20-percent enrichment program and to turn half of its nearly 200-kilogram (440-pound) stockpile into oxide for reactor fuel. As well, it pledged to dilute the other half into low-enriched uranium.

Making weapons-grade uranium by reconvertng from oxide or from the lower level would take much

## Hamas chief praises brutal West Bank Seder shooting

**IAN DEITCH**  
**Associated Press**

**JERUSALEM (AP)** — The prime minister of the Hamas-ruled Gaza Strip on Tuesday praised a shooting that killed an Israeli and wounded his wife and son as they drove through the West Bank the previous evening en route to a Seder, the traditional Passover meal that starts the weeklong Jewish holiday.

Speaking in Gaza, Ismail Haniyeh said the attack outside the city of Hebron "brought back life to the path of resistance" against Israel and warned of more attacks in the territory. No one claimed responsibility for the attack, the latest incident to threaten peace talks with the Palestinians.

Hamas and Israel are bitter enemies. They have engaged in several rounds of fighting since the militant Islamic group seized power in Gaza in 2007 after ousting forces loyal to the Palestinian Fatah party, led by President Mahmoud Abbas, in fierce street battles. The two Palestinian groups have not reconciled despite several attempts and Hamas now rules Gaza while Abbas governs part of the West Bank.

"We tell the enemy and anyone who thinks he is able to tame the West Bank ... the West Bank will be the future point of our struggle with the enemy," Haniyeh said. Israeli media said the wounded woman was told in hospital that her 40-year-old husband, a police officer, was killed. It said their wounded son is nine years old. Israel's public security minister, Yitzhak Aharonovitch, visited the wounded at a Jerusalem hospital and called the incident "a tragedy."

The attack almost certainly complicates U.S. attempts to salvage the troubled Israeli-Palestinian peace talks. The Palestinians want to establish a state in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and east Jerusalem, lands Israel captured in the 1967 Mideast war from Jordan and Egypt. Two decades of Israeli-Palestinian negotiations have failed to settle the conflict, and the latest U.S. mediation attempt, launched last year by Secretary of State John Kerry, also seems on the verge of collapse.

Kerry has said he wants to see a deal, or at least the outlines of one, by the end of April. But the two sides remain locked in a dispute over the terms of extending talks, without having made any apparent progress on issues such as borders and security arrangements.

The Palestinians have been demanding Israel release a promised batch of prisoners, many of whom were involved in similar attacks as the one on Passover. A nationalistic party in Netanyahu's coalition has threatened to quit it if prisoners are freed.

Netanyahu condemned the attack and in a statement said he "holds the Palestinian Authority responsible" for "the despicable murder."

"The Palestinian Authority continues to constantly broadcast - in its official media - programs that incite against the existence of the State of Israel," Netanyahu said. "Last night this incitement was translated into the murder of a father who was traveling with his family to celebrate the first night of Passover," he said. □

## Italy's Berlusconi gets community service

**COLLEEN BARRY**  
**Associated Press**

**MILAN (AP)** — Former Italian Premier Silvio Berlusconi was ordered Tuesday to spend four hours a week helping the elderly to repay society for his tax fraud conviction, a sentence that imposes few restrictions on his campaigning in the upcoming European elections.

The 77-year-old three-time former premier cannot run in the elections due to the conviction, but he remains influential in politics as head of the Forza Italia party. His support is also crucial for a constitutional reform to abolish the Senate sought by Premier Matteo Renzi. The two men met on the eve of the court's decision in Renzi's

offices, according to Italian media reports.

Berlusconi's four-year sentence for tax fraud was confirmed by Italy's highest court last summer, the first ever against the media mogul in dozens of prosecutions, and reduced to one year under a general amnesty aimed at easing overcrowding in Italian prisons. □

# Venezuela opposition resumes talks with government

**JOSHUA GOODMAN**  
Associated Press

**CARACAS, Venezuela (AP)**

— Venezuela's opposition resumed negotiations with the government Tuesday amid rising doubts that the talks will produce a long-sought political opening. The closed-door meeting hosted by Vice President Jorge Arreaza was aimed at setting an agenda and framework for future talks. It followed a six-hour marathon of speeches last week that drew record TV ratings as Venezuelans tuned in past midnight to watch the two sides air their differences in a rare display of civility after 15 years of rancorous polarization.

The opposition wants President Nicolas Maduro's government to free jailed opponents and create an independent truth commission to determine responsibility for 41 deaths tied to protests that have rocked the nation since February. It's also urging him to disarm pro-government groups known as "colectivos" and give critics a bigger say in the running of institutions that the government dominates, such as the Supreme Court and National Electoral Council. Despite Maduro's more conciliatory tone and broad support for dialogue, hopes for a breakthrough are slim. The government has shown no sign of making any broad concessions, and more radical elements of the opposition, includ-

ing students, are boycotting the talks, calling them a political stunt by Maduro to deflect foreign criticism of his handling of the crisis while keeping a boot on the necks of protesters.

"No negotiations or pacts," Maduro declared at last week's meeting, which took place under the supervision of three South American nations and a Vatican envoy.

"What's happening here is a debate, a dialogue." Instead of ceding more political space, some observers say Maduro, who on Monday marked a year in office, may try to quietly orchestrate an economic opening to rebuild support battered by widespread frustration with long lines for scarce goods and galloping 57 percent inflation. □



A university student shouts to fellow protesters not to attack the Bolivarian National Guards trapped under the highway with demonstrators on both sides during clashes in Caracas, Venezuela. Venezuela's opposition resumed negotiations with the government Tuesday amid rising doubts that the talks will produce a long-sought political opening.

(AP Photo/Fernando Llano)

## Mexico sets date for vigilantes to register guns

**MARK STEVENSON**  
Associated Press

**MEXICO CITY (AP)**

— The Mexican government says vigilante groups in the western state of Michoacan will have until May 10 to register their guns and decide whether to join the army's "rural defense corps."

The government had made little headway in a plan announced in January to put the estimated 20,000-strong vigilante force in the western state of Michoacan under the control of the army.

But the government commission for Michoacan said late Monday it had agreed to extend the deadline for joining the rural defense corps, a little-used, century-old body that armed farmworkers to fight bandits and uprisings in the countryside. The heavily armed "self-defense" groups have posed a thorny problem for the government.

While they have earned popularity by driving the vicious Knights Templar drug cartel out of many parts of

Michoacan, some of the vigilantes themselves have been accused of looting and killing.

The government originally got little response when it announced the extension of the rural defenses to Michoacan in January, but now it is pressing the vigilantes to sign up by May 11, when the two units planned for Michoacan are to be up and running.

According to figures provided by the army to The Associated Press, the corps

remains tiny. Its current force of 9,068 "rurales" are volunteers, and are spread out across roughly two-thirds of Mexico's 31 states. The corps appears to have played no role in extremely violent states like Tamaulipas and Sinaloa, where there are no rurales units. However, there are units in many of the states that have been least affected by drug violence, including Quintana Roo, Aguascalientes, Puebla, Hidalgo and Guanajuato. □



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## Chile leader to relocate Valparaiso fire victims

**EVA VERGARA**  
Associated Press

**VALPARAISO, Chile (AP)** — President Michelle Bachelet vowed Tuesday to reconstruct this once-beautiful port city according to a master plan that would prevent many of the 11,000 victims of devastating wildfires from rebuilding on hills that cannot be protected from disasters.

The fires that started Saturday and leaped from hilltop to densely populated hilltop have been contained but not extinguished. Every stiff wind threatens to lift burning embers, putting more neighborhoods at risk. The fires already have consumed as many as 3,000 homes and killed 15 people while injur-

ing hundreds more. "We think this is a tremendous tragedy, but ... it is also a tremendous opportunity to do things right," Bachelet said in an interview with *El Diario de Cooperativa*. "What we're looking at in terms of reconstruction is how to rebuild in a more orderly manner, better and more worthy" of Valparaiso's status as a World Heritage City. UNESCO granted the city that honor in large part because of its unique architecture, laid out on narrow, curving streets that climb hills so steep that many people commute by climbing stairways or riding cable cars. Brightly painted, improvised wooden houses hug forested hills and ravines, which form a natural am-



The ground lies littered with donated shoes and clothing meant for victims of the wildfire that burned through areas of the city of Valparaiso, Chile, Tuesday April, 15, 2014. A raging fire leaped from hilltop to hilltop in this port city, killing more than a dozen people and destroying thousands of homes.

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phitheater around Chile's second-largest port. While the city is often blanketed by fog from the Pacific Ocean, it has been plagued throughout history by wildfires that can spread quickly when the wind

blows out to sea. Indigenous Changos who lived there before the Spanish conquest called the area "Alimapu," which means "land destroyed by fire," said Orion Aramayo, an urban planning expert at

Valparaiso's Catholic University. While fire victims include middle-class families, thousands more lived in primitive conditions, sharing structures built on tiny ledges of land carved into the hills.

## Amnesty: Haiti human rights activist threatened

**TRENTON DANIEL**  
Associated Press

**PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP)** — A leading human rights activist in Haiti has been threatened for his work, Amnesty International said Tuesday, marking the latest documented case of attacks or threats against watchdog groups in the Caribbean nation.

Pierre Esperance received a menacing letter at his organization's office in the Haitian capital earlier this month, along with a bullet, according to a statement from Amnesty.

The letter accused Esperance, executive director of the National Human Rights Defense Network, of publishing false reports aimed at destabilizing President Michel Martelly's government.

It also mentioned an earlier attack on Esperance when he survived bullet wounds to the shoulder and knee while driving his car.

"In 99 we missed you, this time you won't escape it, stop speaking," the letter said, according to Amnesty.

A complaint was lodged with the public prosecu-

tor, and judicial police are believed to have opened an investigation, Amnesty said.

Esperance and his group have been actively publishing reports that range from the government's alleged ties to drug traffickers to the sluggish case involving Jean-Claude "Baby Doc" Duvalier, the former dictator who faces charges on human rights abuses and embezzlement.

The alleged threat against Esperance is the latest aimed at Haiti's human rights advocates over recent months.



## Italian Journalists amazed with the Aruba experience!



**ORANJESTAD** - Recently the Aruba Tourism Authority hosted a journalist couple from Italy on Aruba, to cover a complete story about the Island's tourism industry, lifestyle, culture, tradition's and history. The journalist were Mr. Franco Bortollotti from Florencia and Mrs. Stefania Lancelotti from Milano,

they are freelancers working for several magazines like Dentro Milano a magazine that covers tourism, culture and lifestyle from different countries with an average of 150.000 copies per month, Il Mirino is a magazine that covers Health and wellbeing, tourism, news from the world, estimated 130.000 copies

per month, YOU a monthly female magazine with 80.000 copies per month and Viaggi & Tentazioni also a health and tourism web magazine with an average of 20.000 unique readers per day mostly females. Mr. Bortollotti and Mrs. Lancelotti had a wonderful experience of the island

and were amazed with everything the Island has to offer to its visitors, they have visited most of our tourism attractions shopping areas, museums, cultural shows and also a variety of restaurants where they had a wonderful cu-

linary experience of the Island. The journalists were accompanied by Mr. Ernest Giel representing the Aruba Tourism authority and were very pleased with the One Happy Island experience. □



# Radisson Aruba Resort commemorates Earth Day 2014



**PALM BEACH** - Tuesday, April 22, 2014, is commemorated as Earth Day this year. Earth Day was first recognized in 1970 and has become one of the big-

gest global movements towards a more sustainable future. Each year, over a

billion people in more than 190 countries around the globe demonstrate their support for Earth Day by planting trees, cleaning up their communities, participating in recycling efforts and much more.

On April 22, the Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa will demonstrate its support for environmental protection with various activities throughout the day:

**Coming to work:** Colleagues will be walking, running, riding their bikes and carpooling to work. The purpose of this effort is to make colleagues reflect on their current regular transportation habits and encourage them to adjust

to a more environmentally-friendly transportation routine, while staying fit and healthy.

**Keep Aruba Clean:** Colleagues and guests will clean the beach area near the California Dunes, between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. A bus will depart from the Curacao Lobby of the hotel at 7:45 a.m., transporting all volunteers to the site.

**A day of reflection:** Guests will be asked to focus on their personal environmental choices on this day. A letter from the General Manager, Marc Frances, together with a tent card will ask guests to turn off non-essential lights, adjust the air conditioner to a warmer setting when leaving the room and so on.

**Special pin:** All colleagues and guests will receive a special pin and t-shirt in honor of Earth Day 2014.

**Biba Aruba:** The festivities will continue with an environmentally focused Biba Aruba Night. Earth Day Biba Aruba will feature guest park rangers from Arikok National Park and unique recycled art displays. Food and art will be for sale and proceeds from recycled items will be donated to Parke Arikok.

As proud resident of planet earth, and the island of Aruba, the Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa is raising consciousness among guests and islanders, placing global environmental concerns front and center and in the limelight on April 22nd, 2014.

Pictured here, last year's beach clean-up, part of the 10th annual Carlson Rezidor Hotel Group Responsible Business Action Month, in September. □

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lections and festive activities for this special day.

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## At the Aruba Marriott Stellaris Casino: Alpha 2 Pro Wave slot makes its debut in South America!

**PALM BEACH** - The Stellaris Casino at the Aruba Marriott is the first casino in South America to launch the award-winning ALPHA 2 Pro Wave slot machines from Bally Technologies. The Pro Wave brings a new level of gaming platform design to casinos with its trail-blazing 40-inch/100-centimeter curved high-definition monitor. The game screen curves gracefully inward, giving a brand-

new look and feel to any casino floor. Like all of Bally's video-slot cabinets, the Wave features the iDECK multi-touch button panel. One of the most exciting aspects of this new platform is that Bally's entire library of video-slot games for the Pro Series V22/22 and V32 can be played on the Wave. "We strive to offer our casino players the newest and most exciting games. With

the addition of the ALPHA 2 Pro Wave to our collection, players will be thrilled to enjoy the best gaming experience," says Ben Figaroa, Director of Casino Operations. To obtain more information call the Stellaris Casino at 520-6606 or visit [www.stellariscasino.com](http://www.stellariscasino.com) Connect with the Stellaris Casino official Facebook fan page by visiting [www.facebook.com/StellarisCasino](http://www.facebook.com/StellarisCasino). □



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**PALM BEACH** - Next Friday Aruba will receive the visit of a very lovely couple, Mr. Dennis and Mrs. Marge Hart. This very nice couple are loyal and friendly visitors of Aruba for more than 25 years, and they will be staying at their home away from home the Costa Linda Beach Resort. Marge & Dennis Hart are coming to Aruba to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on April 18, 2014. They are coming to celebrate together with their friends James & Carole

Schultz and George & Sharon Schultz. George was at their wedding 50 years ago, and will not miss this celebration for nothing, even more because it will be in Aruba the One Happy Island. The Harts are currently living in Florida but, try to get back to Aruba once or twice a year with their family and friends. We are looking forward to Welcome Marge & Dennis Hart and friends to Costa Linda and to Aruba for this BIG celebration. □





**Speedy Djokovic eases into Monte Carlo 3rd round**

**JEROME PUGMIRE**  
AP Sports Writer

**MONACO (AP)** — Novak Djokovic began the defense of his Monte Carlo Masters title in flamboyant style Tuesday, taking only 45 minutes to beat Albert Montanes 6-1, 6-0 and maintain his perfect record against the Spaniard.

The second-ranked Serb won 11 consecutive games and improved to 6-0 against Montanes, who has taken only one set off Djokovic.

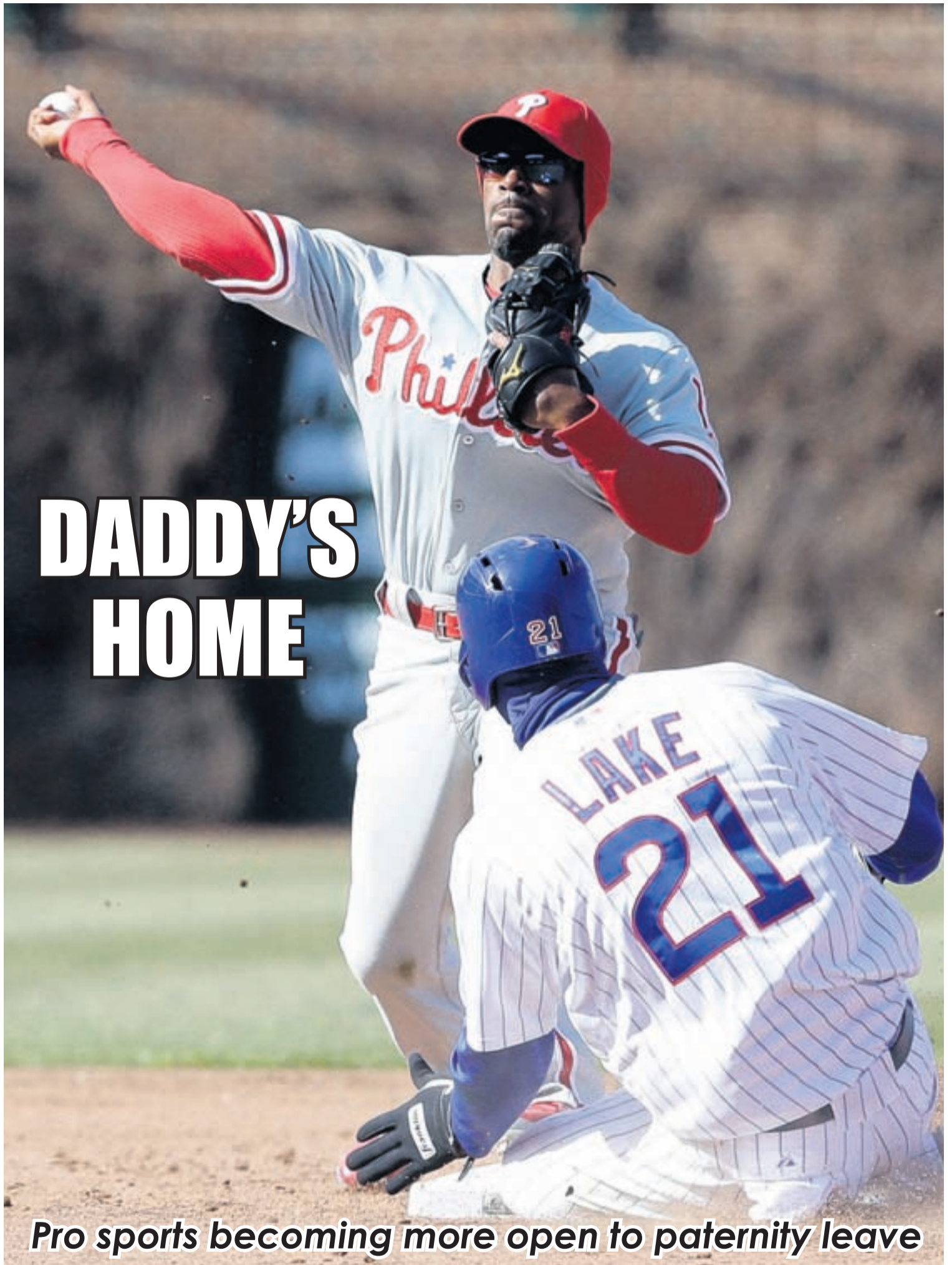
"For the first match on clay, it was great. There were not too many flaws in my game," Djokovic said. "I was just trying to use the court well, not allowing him to get into the rhythm. I was changing the angles, coming to the net, being aggressive."

The speed and ease of the win reminded him of when he beat Czech player Jan Herych 6-0, 6-0 five years ago in the second round at Basel, Switzerland.

"It's great that you have a chance to finish your work on the court in such a short time," he said. "On the other (hand), I would like to have a little bit more longer rallies, bigger challenge so I can test myself, see where I am, where my game is at this moment on clay."

The only small drawback for Djokovic is that he has some soreness in his right wrist.

"I have a certain problem that I carry for the last week or so," he said. "The short match today helped definitely. So I'm going to have some time to heal it." Djokovic has won two Masters titles this year, beating Rafael Nadal in Key Biscayne and Roger Federer at Indian Wells.



**Pro sports becoming more open to paternity leave**

Philadelphia Phillies shortstop Jimmy Rollins, top, throws to first after forcing out Chicago Cubs' Junior Lake during the eighth inning of a baseball game in Chicago, Saturday, April 5, 2014. Chicago Cubs' Mike Olt was safe at first.

# Cardinals snap Brewers' 9-game win streak

**MILWAUKEE (AP)** — The Milwaukee Brewers' nine-game winning streak was ended Monday when Lance Lynn struck out 11 in seven innings and Jon Jay hit a three-run homer for the St. Louis Cardinals in a 4-0 victory.

**NL Capsules**

Lynn allowed three hits over seven innings before Carlos Martinez finished off the surprising Brewers, who still have the majors' best record at 10-3. Lynn (3-0) frustrated hitters by mixing a fastball that topped 95 mph with a slider.

Jhonny Peralta hit a solo shot in the second off Brewers starter Matt Garza (0-2) before Jay sent a ball over the wall near the right field corner in the sixth.

**BRAVES 9, PHILLIES 6**

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — Dan Uggla hit two home runs, including a grand slam in the ninth inning that lifted the Atlanta Braves to a wild win over the Phillies.

Evan Gattis also homered twice and Uggla drove in five runs as the Braves won their fourth straight. The teams combined for five homers and 12 runs in the final two innings.

Gattis, Uggla and Andrelton Simmons hit consecutive homers in the eighth



St. Louis Cardinals' Matt Holliday (7) is tagged out at home plate by Milwaukee Brewers catcher Jonathan Lucroy, left, during the sixth inning of a baseball game Monday, April 14, 2014, in Milwaukee.

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that put Atlanta ahead 5-1. Domonic Brown's three-run homer capped a five-run bottom of the eighth that gave the Phillies a 6-5 lead. But the Braves rallied against Jake Diekman (1-1). Luis Avilan (3-1) wound up with the win and David Carpenter got his first save. Ryan Howard homered and Marlon Byrd drove in two runs for Philadelphia. Utley had two hits, and is batting .489 this season.

**PIRATES 7, REDS 7, 6 INNINGS, SUSPENDED**

**CINCINNATI (AP)** — Neil Walker and Gaby Sanchez hit back-to-back homers twice as the Pirates and Reds combined for 10 homers in only six innings before rain forced a suspension. The game will be resumed in the top of the seventh inning Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. Pittsburgh hit six solo shots and Cincinnati had four homers, most of them into

a heavy rain. Already, it's the most homers in a major league game since 2006. Pittsburgh had three sets of back-to-back homers, only the third time that's happened in major league history.

**NATIONALS 9, MARLINS 2**

**MIAMI (AP)** — Jordan Zimmermann bounced back from the shortest start of his career to pitch seven innings and lead the Nationals to a win over the

Marlins, who endured their eighth loss in a row.

Bryce Harper had two doubles and an RBI triple for Washington. He has batted .520 over his past seven games to boost his average to .348.

Catcher Sandy Leon hit his first career home run, while Tyler Moore also homered and had an RBI single. Anthony Rendon drove in three runs with a double and a triple, and Danny Espinosa doubled and tripled for two of the Nationals' 11 extra-base hits.

Zimmermann (1-0) allowed two runs, struck out seven and lowered his ERA from 8.10 to 5.27.

Brad Hand (0-1) fell to 1-11 in his career as a starter. He lasted only three innings while allowing five runs and five extra-base hits.

**PADRES 5, ROCKIES 4**

**SAN DIEGO (AP)** — The Padres scored twice in the eighth inning on Rex Brothers' wild pitch and catcher Wilin Rosario's errant throw back to the plate, lifting San Diego to a victory over the Rockies. The Rockies held a one-run lead when Brothers walked the bases loaded with two outs. Facing Yasmani Grandal, Brothers (1-2) unleashed a wild throw. As Rosario retrieved the pitch, he turned and threw wildly back to Brothers covering the plate. The ball was out of Brothers' reach and Xavier Nady scored. As the ball sailed past the mound, Seth Smith scored from second base as the Padres took a 5-4 lead.

Dale Thayer (2-0) pitched a perfect eighth inning and Huston Street worked the ninth for his fourth save. **METS 7, DIAMONDBACKS 3**

**PHOENIX (AP)** — Lucas Duda had four hits and two RBIs, and Zack Wheeler pitched effectively into the seventh inning as the Mets beat the Diamondbacks. In other NL games it was Atlanta 9, Philadelphia 6; Washington 9, Miami 2; Cincinnati 7, Pittsburgh 7, tie, 6 innings, susp., rain; St. Louis 4, Milwaukee 0; N.Y. Mets 7, Arizona 3; and San Diego 5, Colorado 4. □

## John Jaso's pinch-hit home run lifts A's over Angels 3-2

**The Associated Press**

**ANAHEIM, California (AP)** — Pinch-hitter John Jaso came through with a two-run homer off closer Ernesto Frieri in the ninth inning, sending the Oakland Athletics to a 3-2 victory over the Los Angeles Angels on Monday night.

**AL Capsules**  
Yoanis Céspedes also went deep for the A's, offsetting Albert Pujols' 496th home run.

Frieri (0-1) was trying to preserve a 2-1 lead for starter Hector Santiago when Josh Donaldson led off the ninth with a single. One out later, Jaso drove a 1-2 pitch deep into the right-field seats for his first homer



Oakland Athletics' John Jaso runs through a gauntlet of teammates after hitting two-run home during the ninth inning of a baseball game against the Los Angeles Angels, Monday, April 14, 2014, in Anaheim.

**Associated Press**

of the season and the first by an A's pinch-hitter. Jaso has six homers and 21 RBIs at Angel Stadium

along with a .424 average, the highest by any player with at least 75 plate appearances at the "Big A." □

Jim Johnson (1-2) got the victory with a scoreless eighth, and Luke Gregerson earned his second save.

Pujols also had an RBI single.

**ORIOLES 7, RAYS 1**

**BALTIMORE (AP)** — Chen Wei-yin took a four-hitter into the seventh inning as Baltimore got its offense back on track against Chris Archer in a victory over Tampa Bay.

Matt Wieters and J.J. Hardy each had three hits, scored twice and drove in a run for the Orioles, who were coming off a three-game series against Toronto in which they scored only five runs in 30 innings.

In this one, Baltimore built a 6-0 lead over the first three innings and coasted to the finish. The Orioles had 13 hits, including five doubles. □



## NBA Capsules

# Heat lose 114-93 to Wizards; Pacers get top seed

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The Miami Heat opted to rest LeBron James and Chris Bosh for its pursuit of the Eastern Conference's top seed as the Washington Wizards capitalized in a 114-93 breeze of a game Monday that clinched the No. 1 seed for the Indiana Pacers.

Trevor Ariza scored 25 points for the Wizards, who shot 59 percent and made 14 3-pointers and remained one game ahead of the Charlotte Bobcats in the race for the East's No. 6 seed.

Washington is trying to avoid dropping to seventh so that it can avoid the Heat in the first round of the playoffs — when LeBron and Co. will be back.

Michael Beasley scored 18 points for the Heat, who will be the No. 2 seed when the playoffs begin this weekend.

The Heat began the day still in contention for the top spot, but they would have needed to win their last two games and have Indiana lose to Orlando on Wednesday because the Pacers hold the head-to-head tiebreaker. Figuring it would be better to be fresh for the postseason, Heat coach Erik Spoelstra sat James and Bosh, saying they were dealing with "the residual of a long season."

BOBCATS 95, HAWKS 93

**ATLANTA (AP)** — Chris Douglas-Roberts dribbled into the lane and sank a

short jumper as time expired as the Charlotte Bobcats overcame a 15-point deficit in the final period to beat the Atlanta Hawks.

Al Jefferson had 27 points and 15 rebounds for Charlotte, which remained one game behind Washington in the race for the sixth spot in the Eastern Conference playoffs. Gary Neal had 17. Jefferson's turnaround jumper gave the Bobcats a 93-91 lead before Lou Williams answered with a tying jumper for Atlanta with 2.6 seconds remaining.

Following a timeout, Douglas-Roberts penetrated and lobbed the soft jumper as the buzzer sounded.

The Hawks rested starters Kyle Korver, Paul Millsap and DeMarre Carroll. Mike Scott led Atlanta with 20 points.

**RAPTORS 110, BUCKS 100**  
**TORONTO (AP)** — Greivis Vasquez scored 25 points and Kyle Lowry had 24 as the Toronto Raptors set a club record with their 48th win, beating the Milwaukee Bucks.

Jonas Valanciunas had 14 points and 13 rebounds and Tyler Hansbrough had 12 points and 11 rebounds as the Raptors won for the sixth time in seven games and completed the first season sweep of Milwaukee in franchise history.

Toronto had dropped 11 consecutive games against the Bucks coming into this season, but has since won four straight.

Ramon Sessions scored 21 points, Jeff Adrien had 19



Miami Heat guard Dwyane Wade (3) shoots in front of Washington Wizards forward Martell Webster (9) and forward Nene (42), from Brazil, in the first half of an NBA basketball game, Monday, April 14, 2014, in Washington. The Wizards won 114-93.

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points and Brandon Knight 18 as the Bucks lost their 14th straight road game, matching a record for futility set in the 2004-05 season. Milwaukee has not won away from home since beating Philadelphia on Feb. 24.

**76ERS 113, Celtics 108**  
**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — Michael Carter-Williams had 21 points and 14 rebounds, and Tony Wroten scored 20 points as the Philadelphia 76ers beat the Boston Celtics.

Chris Johnson appeared to hit the tying 3-pointer with 0.9 seconds remaining, but stepped out of bounds

before attempting the desperation shot. James Anderson made two free throws a half-second later to seal Philadelphia's win. Kelly Olynyk scored 28 points to lead the Celtics. Jeff Green had 27 points and Avery Bradley added 23. Rajon Rondo finished with eight points, 14 assists and 11 rebounds.

**BULLS 108, MAGIC 95**  
**CHICAGO (AP)** — Joakim Noah had 18 points, 10 rebounds and eight assists, and Mike Dunleavy scored 22 points as the Chicago Bulls pulled away late for a victory over the Orlando Magic.

With one game left in the regular season, the Bulls are fourth in the Eastern Conference playoff race and looking at a first-round matchup with Brooklyn. To catch Toronto and finish third, the Bulls would need to win the season finale at Charlotte on Wednesday and have the Raptors lose at New York.

Kyle O'Quinn led Orlando with 20 points on 9-for-11 shooting, and Andrew Nicholson added 19. Rookie Victor Oladipo was limited to 10 points after scoring a career-high 35 points against the Bulls earlier this season. □

**Monte Carlo**  
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He is also looking for his fifth straight Masters title after winning Paris and Shanghai at the end of last year. He faces Frenchman Gael Monfils in the next round, who beat 14th-seeded Kevin Anderson of South Africa 6-4, 7-6 (4), or Spaniard Pablo Carreno Busta. French Open runner-up David Ferrer of Spain needed a bit longer to reach the third round, taking just over one hour to beat Frenchman Jeremy Chardy 6-3, 6-0 after dropping his opening service game. Ferrer, who lost the final here to Nadal in 2011, next plays 12th-seeded Grigor Dimitrov of Bulgaria or Albert Ramos of Spain. Ninth-seeded Jo-Wilfried Tsonga of France also advanced to round three after beating Philipp Kohlschreiber of Germany 6-4, 1-6, 6-4. In the first round, Dimitrov



**Novak Djokovic of Serbia serves the ball to Albert Montanes of Spain during their match of the Monte Carlo Tennis Masters tournament in Monaco, Tuesday, April 15, 2014.**

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beat Marcel Granollers of Spain 6-2, 4-6, 6-2, while 13th-seeded Mikhail Youzhny of Russia lost to Andreas Seppi of Italy 6-3, 7-6 (4) and No. 16 Jerzy Janowicz of Poland was beaten by Michael Llodra of France 6-4, 6-2. Teymuraz Gabashvili of Russia beat Gilles Simon of France 4-6, 6-4, 6-4 and will next play Nadal on Wednesday, while Croat Marin Cilic beat Australian Marinko Matosevic 6-1, 3-6, 6-2 and faces Australian Open champion Stanislas Wawrinka of Switzerland, the third seed. □

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# U.S. pro sports more open to paternity leave

**JON KRAWCZYNSKI**  
 AP Sports Writer

Tony Perez was on the road with the Cincinnati Reds in 1966 when he got the call that his first child was on the way. There was no discussion about leaving the team to attend Victor's birth, no such thing as paternity leave.

"They didn't give you any time off when I was playing," the Hall of Fame batter said, recalling he received the news about noon before going to the ballpark. "We played that night. We got a day off in Chicago the next day and I flew home on my own."

These days, more pro athletes are taking time off to be with their families in the delivery room. Yet Major League Baseball remains the only one of the four major professional leagues in North America to have a standardized paternity leave policy. The NFL, NBA and NHL leave the matter up to individual players and their teams.

"There is stress on both sides," said Philadelphia Phillies manager Ryne Sandberg, who watched shortstop Jimmy Rollins miss a game against Texas this season to fly home to be there for the birth of his second child. "Job stress and stress from the family side. So this being in place takes care of that, just makes it a done deal for the player, and the team deals with it. It takes the pressure off the player."

New York Mets second baseman Daniel Murphy was criticized on sports talk radio this month for taking three days, which is provided for in MLB's rules, to spend time with his wife and newborn son Noah. But in the days that followed, Murphy received wide support from players and coaches who say the times have changed.

"That's a negotiated right that is a win for everybody," said Miami Marlins infielder Ed Lucas, who missed one game last September for the birth of his son. "It shows compassion on the side of the team. It's the only major sport that has paternity leave. But we're also the only sport that plays every day." Players in the NFL, NBA and NHL all have several off days a week in most cases and squads



In this April 12, 2014, file photo, New York Mets second baseman Daniel Murphy, left, throws to first base for the out on Los Angeles Angels' Mike Trout after forcing out J.B. Shuck during the eighth inning of a baseball game in Anaheim, Calif.

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stocked with extra players, giving the teams and the athletes the freedom to work on a case-by-case basis. In MLB, a three-day absence usually means three games missed, so the burden on the team, and the potential guilt felt by the player, is much higher.

"Traditionally speaking, some guys were afraid to ask," Pittsburgh Pirates manager Clint Hurdle said. "So many guys didn't want to ask because of job security. It was almost like a standard way of doing it that you didn't leave."

MLB general managers and the players' union recognized this trend a few years ago. At the GM meetings in 2011, a rule was drafted to allow a team to place a player on the paternity leave list for three days and call up a replacement from the minor leagues.

"When you have a policy, it just makes it easier for clubs and players," said Dan Halem, MLB executive vice president for labor relations who helped draft the policy. "It's automatic. You place the player on the list and he goes and everybody knows when he's coming back."

Halem said the measure received universal support among owners and union leaders. In the first three years of the policy, 73 players were placed on the list.

NASCAR recently made changes to be more accommodating. Until this season, a driver could not miss a race without giving up the chance to win a championship. This year, under the new format, a driver can miss a race and still make the Chase for the Spring Cup championship. Matt Kenseth

and Paul Menard had standby drivers this season, with their wives due to give birth.

Both said they were willing to miss a race, if necessary. Neither had to because both women gave birth on weekdays.

It doesn't always go so smoothly. In 1993, Houston Oilers offensive line coach Bob Young said right tackle David Williams "let the guys down, and he let hundreds of thousands of fans down" when he chose to miss an NFL game to stay by his wife's side while she gave birth to their son.

Then there is Oakland A's reliever Dan Otero, who missed one game while attending the birth of daughter Kinsley in September. Did he get any grief?

"Not at all," Otero said. "They were mad at me I came back early." □



- By: Dr Carlos Viana

# Eggs and Butter

A favorite dish of mine in a Japanese restaurant is a raw quail egg yolk on sea urchin eggs. A variable "cholesterol bomb", one of my colleagues called. Notice that the Japanese sushi chef throws away the white of the egg. A good thing, since raw egg whites should never be consumed. Egg whites contain substances that remove vitamins from your body and could possibly inhibit digestion of protein, and affect growth. Cooking the egg for just a few minutes destroys these and other harmful compounds.

The reason a myth has survived for years about the dangers of eating egg yolks is because one egg yolk contains about 213 milligrams of cholesterol. This is about the same amount as my other favorite food, olive oil that is also loaded with cholesterol. However, any clinical nutritionist will tell you that the different types of cholesterol are not the same. Olive oil, like egg yolks, both have a high content of monounsaturated fatty acids and antioxidative substances. In lay terms, both of these great foods are rich in HDL, the "good" cholesterol.

If you enjoy the convenience of taking a multivitamin to be sure you're getting enough nutrients, you should consider including soft boiled or poached eggs in your diet. They come close to having everything a

natural multivitamin provides. Eggs are low in sodium and are a good source of protein, riboflavin, Vitamin B12, Pantothenic acid, phosphorus, and selenium. Additionally, there are amino acids, the building blocks for muscle and a great source of lecithin.

In fact, the word "lecithin," comes from the Greek word "lekithos" meaning "egg yolk". Other foods that contain lecithin include: butter, peanuts, cauliflower, tomatoes, banana, oranges, lentils, oats, barley, corn, sesame seeds, flax seeds, whole wheat and human breast milk.

Notice I said, butter, not margarine. Actually, if you are worried about cholesterol, according to a Harvard Medical study, margarine may increase heart disease in women by 53% over eating the same amount of butter. Margarine contains up to 45 percent of artificially created unhealthy trans-fats.

No more fattening than margarine, butter has been in the diet for thousands of years so our bodies are used to digesting it. Besides lecithin, butter is a rich source of easily absorbed vitamin A, E, K, D and selenium, a powerful antioxidant. We use salt free to eliminate the harmful processed salt which is used as a preservative to help the butter last longer on the shelf. If you like the taste of salt, try adding your own natural sea salt, which still has some of the minerals left and is not chemically processed.

Even better is Clarified Butter or "Gee" a form of butter found in the Indian section of your supermarket. Gee can be made easily at home and

is butter which has the milk solids or fat removed. It has a high smoke point and is a safer, healthier choice for cooking than other fats or oils.

With people afraid to eat egg yolks, the richest source of choline found in modern diets comes from an additive called lecithin. Lecithin is most often added to foods as an emulsifier which helps keeps food blended. As a dietary supplement, I consider lecithin to be essential for everyone. In our clinic I see patient's daily suffering from fatigue, insomnia, kidney and bladder problems, high cholesterol levels, nerve-muscle problems, including cardiovascular disease, infertility, liver and gallbladder problems, anemia, and high blood pressure. Lecithin in your body keeps your cells functioning properly, allows your nerves to communicate with your muscles; and prevent the build-up of homocysteine in your blood. Homocysteine is a harmful compound that is associated with cardiovascular disease and osteoporosis. Since lecithin has fat-modifying effects, lecithin helps prevent fatty build-up in the liver. An important part of lecithin is choline. Since the 1930s, research has shown that choline is a component of every human cell. Lecithin can help control cholesterol levels. Because of its role in nerve-muscle function, lecithin has been used to help improve neuromuscular function in Alzheimer's disease and plays a critical role in memory functions and learning difficulties.

Lecithin supplementation is very important to babies, even while still in the womb. Dietary deficiency of

lecithin can provoke respiratory distress in newborns, and failure to thrive. In very young babies a continuing deficiency can produce impaired growth, and abnormalities in bone formation. Medical data on lecithin suggests that simply supplementing the diets of pregnant and nursing women with lecithin could affect their children's lifelong learning and memory. In adults, lecithin can boost cognitive function, diminish age-related memory decline, and reduce the brain's vulnerability to toxic substances.

Eggs are nutritious. They're nutrient dense which means that eggs provide a good proportion of needed nutrients for the calories they provide. Eating nutrient-dense foods is particularly important for children as well as older adults because their energy needs are less but their nutrient needs are high. Nutrient density is also important for anyone of any age who is trying to lose weight. One of the reasons for eating eggs is lecithin and supplementing your diet with a quality lecithin supplement give us a healthy boost. By the way, I recommend most of my patients take individual, natural supplements, like Vitamin C, Magnesium, Zinc and always Lecithin. However, if you prefer taking a multivitamin, make sure you are using a natural one. There is a difference between quality food based nutrients and cheaper, synthetic or artificial vitamins, which may also include fillers, dyes and preservatives.

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# Study: Samsung phone durable, but iPhone has edge

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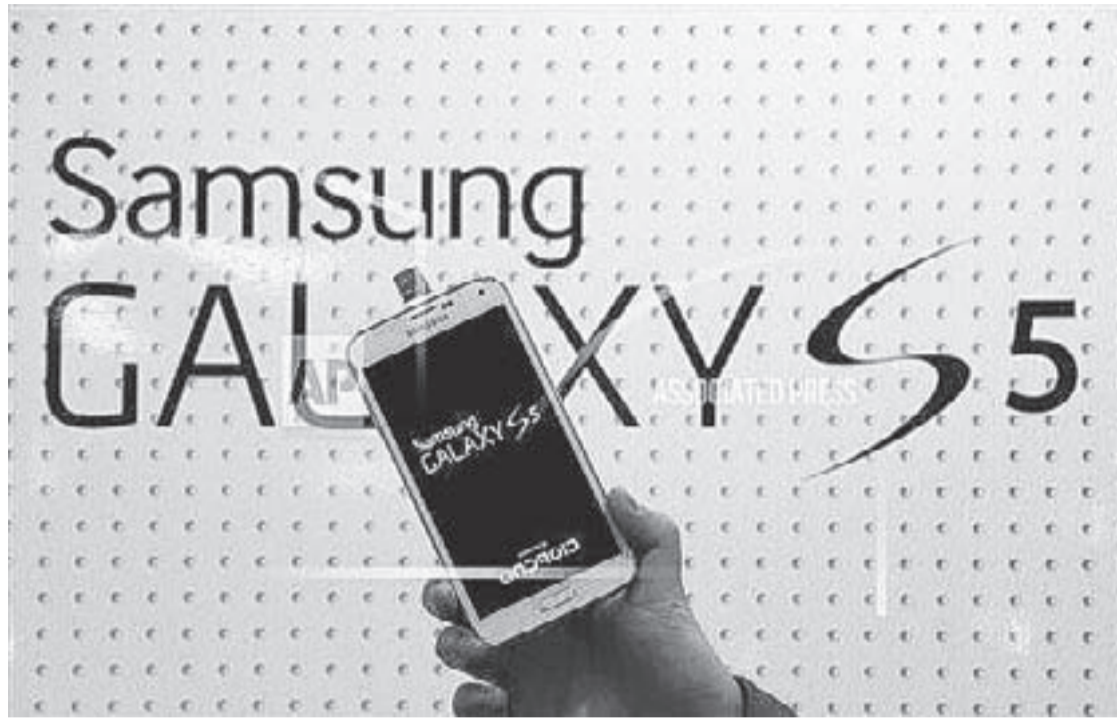
AP Technology Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Samsung's new Galaxy S5 smartphone is more durable than last year's model and other leading Android phones, but the iPhone 5s outperformed all of them in part because of its smaller size, a new study finds.

The S5 scored well given its water resistance and a sturdy back panel made of plastic, according to SquareTrade, a provider of extended protection plans. The iPhone 5s won points for being just 4 inches (10 centimeters) diagonally, compared with about 5 inches for the Android phones. That makes the iPhone easier to grip and thus less likely to slip out of one's hands.

Nonetheless, all the smartphones tested had a medium risk of breakage, and differences between the various phones weren't major. SquareTrade evaluated the phones based on such criteria as size, weight, grip and the quality of the front and back panels. The company measured how far the phones slide when pushed across a table on their backs and how well they withstand drops from 4 feet and being dunked in water for 10 seconds. Robots were used to ensure consistency.

SquareTrade provided The Associated Press with the results ahead of Monday afternoon's announce-



In this Sept. 20, 2013 file photo, a customer configures the fingerprint scanner technology built into iPhone 5S at an Apple store in Beijing.

Associated Press.

ment. The S5 scored a 6 on a 10-point durability scale, with 10 having the highest risk.

The new HTC One phone scored a 6.5, while Google's Nexus 5 had a 7. The iPhone 5s was at 5.5. None of those phones is as durable as last year's Moto X from Motorola. It had a 4.5 rating, thanks to a rounded back molded to the shape of a user's hand, making it easier to grip. Last year's HTC One model also had a 4.5. Last year's Samsung Galaxy S4, meanwhile, had a score of 7.

The S5, the new HTC One, the Nexus and the iPhone all had strong front panels,

despite being made of mostly glass. SquareTrade considered both the materials used and design factors such as button placement to gauge how likely a user would drop the phone while using it. The back panels on the One and the iPhone were moderate, while those on the S5 and the Nexus performed well.



The S5 and the One were the hardest to grip, while the One and the Nexus had poor marks for water

resistance — the phones still worked, but had no sound. Both the S5 and the iPhone survived the dunk test, even though only the S5 is officially marketed as water resistant — for up to 30 minutes. Only the Nexus 5 passed the slide test, but it was the only of the four to fail the drop test.

The Nexus slid 1.7 feet (0.5 meters) when pushed by a robot, compared with 2.5 feet (0.76 meters) or more for the others. The more a phone slides, the greater its chance of falling off the edge of a table. After getting dropped, the Nexus was shattered, while the others had only superficial damage.

SquareTrade said the S5's performance on the drop

test was noteworthy, because the S4 had done poorly. □

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# Wall Street rebounds after choppy trading day

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A stock market swoon turned into a comeback Tuesday. Stocks managed a late-afternoon rebound for the second time in two days as

The late rally even gave a lift to tech stocks like Google and Intel, which had weighed on the market much of the day. "As long as the market can close on a positive note, it sends a signal to investors

The day started off well when Johnson & Johnson and Coca-Cola reported encouraging first-quarter earnings. But the strong beginning fell apart by late morning, when investors got a look

conditions as poor, even though they expected improvement over the spring and summer. The morning slide didn't hold, however. By the end of the day, the Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 12.37 points, or 0.7 percent, to 1,842.98.

The stock market has been losing ground in recent weeks as investors worry about whether some tech stocks became overpriced. "There still seems to be some concern about valuation in some corners of the market, especially some of the more high-flying names that had run pretty far, pretty fast, and that's putting an overall weight on the market," said Brad Sorensen, director of market and sector analysis at the Schwab Center for Financial Research.



Trader Michael Zicchinolfi, center, works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. Stocks managed a late-afternoon rebound for the second time in two days as investors seemed to brush off a report of lower confidence among homebuilders and simmering tensions in the Ukraine. (AP Photo/Richard Drew)

All ten industry sectors in the S&P 500 increased, led by utilities. The Dow Jones industrial average added 89.32 points, or 0.6 percent, to 16,262.56. The Nasdaq composite rose 11.47 points, or 0.3 percent, to 4,034.16.

All three indexes remain down for the month and year. The Russell 2000 index of small-company stocks, which had been down more than 1 percent earlier in the day, ended higher. The index is still off 3.8 percent for the year, more than the other major indexes. It's also down more than 7 percent from its recent peak of 1,208 on March 4.

Small-company stocks have been racking up losses over the past five weeks, as investors look to reduce their exposure to risk. That's a turnaround from last year, when the Russell soared 37 percent versus 30 percent for the S&P 500 index.

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that there are bargains in the market still to be had," said Quincy Crosby, market strategist at Prudential Financial.

at the latest measure of U.S. homebuilders' confidence in the housing market at 10 a.m. Eastern time. Builders saw overall sales

intended acceleration. The difference: GM no longer makes most of the cars it's recalling. In 2010, Toyota was recalling cars currently on sale. In the second half of that year, Toyota sales fell more than 8 percent. For the full year, Toyota's share of the U.S. market dropped 1.5 percentage points, according to Autodata Corp. So far this year, GM's sales are down 2 percent, but its car sales have outperformed the market, rising 3.4 percent through March. And they could be helped later this year by models being introduced at the New York International Auto Show. GM will display a freshened Chevrolet Cruze compact for 2015, a high-performance Corvette convertible and

Traders also remain focused on what the latest wave of quarterly earnings will say about the health of the U.S. economy and companies. After regular trade ended Tuesday, Yahoo soared 8 percent and Intel rose 1 percent. The two tech giants reported earnings that beat analysts' expectations.

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## GM sales eyed for impact of ignition switch recall

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**DETROIT (AP)** — As General Motors executives show off their newest cars and trucks in New York this week, analysts are watching for signs that consumers are shying away from the ones sitting on dealer lots.

Many expect GM sales to take a hit from a mishandled recall of small cars, though it's unclear when and how severe. Any decline would hurt the automaker's market share and potentially its credit rating. Concerned investors have sent GM stock to a 10-month low.

Data collected from dealers by J.D. Power and Associates show GM U.S. sales fell 6.3 percent in the first five days of April compared with a year ago, while the

overall market dropped just 0.3 percent. The same data show an even larger decline for Ford Motor Co. April is expected to be a rebound month in the U.S. after a rough winter, and analysts expect sales to pick up in the month's second half. GM began recalling 2.6 million small cars worldwide in February to replace faulty ignition switches. The company says at least 13 deaths have been linked to the switch problem. CEO Mary Barra's appearance before Congress this month drew even more attention to the issue.

Historically, big, highly publicized safety problems eventually affect sales, said Jesse Toprak, chief analyst for the car-buying site Cars.com. GM's sales weren't hurt in February or March,

but data from April is starting to show weakness, Toprak said. He said buyers trying to decide between a GM brand car and a rival "might just take GM from their consideration list, thinking that it's not worth it." Jeff Schuster, senior vice president of sales forecasting for LMC Automotive, an industry consulting firm, expects GM sales to show a gain this month, but only about half the 8 percent increase he forecasts for the industry overall. The recall might have an impact, but GM has also been struggling to match Ford and Chrysler in pickup sales, he said.

Schuster doesn't think GM's market share will plunge as much as Toyota's did in 2010, when it recalled millions of cars because of un-

intended acceleration. The difference: GM no longer makes most of the cars it's recalling. In 2010, Toyota was recalling cars currently on sale.

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a new small SUV that gives Chevy an entry in one of the hottest-selling market segments.

A sales decline or increased use of discounts could have broader repercussions for GM. The Standard and Poor's ratings agency last week said the recalls could prevent GM's credit rating from returning to investment grade for the first time since 2005. The agency warned that it is watching for "any significant deterioration" in GM sales. GM's U.S. market share in March was 16.7 percent, down 0.2 percentage points from a year ago.

Ford Motor Co., GM's chief U.S. rival, is also off to a slow start in April, according to the J.D. Power data, with sales down 10 percent for the first five days. □



**Twitter acquires Gnip, bringing data service in-house**

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Twitter on Tuesday announced that it had acquired Gnip, a company that provides data about activity on the social network as it is occurring. The 8-year-old company is the latest in a series of data companies acquired by Twitter as the micro-messaging service improves its ability to provide information about its users' behavior to potential sponsors, advertisers and others who analyze the service.

In 2010, Gnip was the first company to work with Twitter to gain access to the social network's so-called fire hose, which contains all publicly available tweets since 2006. Brands, advertisers and, recently, academics could use that stream of data to analyze and parse activity on the social network. That is proving to be an increasingly lucrative business. In December, Twitter had 241 million monthly active users worldwide, and last year the company generated more than \$70 million in revenue from licensing its data. "We have had customers tell us individual tweets can be worth \$1 million at times," Chris Moody, chief executive of Gnip, said in an interview earlier this year. The move to acquire Gnip, based in Boulder, Colo., can be seen as a preventive measure, bringing in-house a valuable service that Twitter four years ago was unable to prioritize, before someone else can snatch the company. The terms of the deal were not disclosed. Last year, Apple acquired Topsy Labs, a similar provider of data of Twitter activity. The terms of that deal were also not disclosed, though The Wall Street Journal, citing people familiar with the matter, estimated the deal to be worth more than \$200 million.

"We believe Gnip has only begun to scratch the surface," Jana Messerschmidt, Twitter's vice president of global business development and platform, wrote in a blog post announcing the deal. □

**Yahoo's 1Q lifted by Alibaba; ad progress**

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Yahoo is still prospering from its lucrative investments in Asia while the Internet company's listless advertising sales are picking up under CEO Marissa Mayer, if ever so slightly. The positive signs in a first-quarter report overshadowed a 20 percent decline in Yahoo's earnings during the opening three months of the year. The results released Tues-

day highlight the contrasting performances of Yahoo's investment portfolio and the company's main business of running ad-supported online services. Yahoo Inc. is making most of its money from its holdings in two Asian Internet companies — China's Alibaba Group and Yahoo Japan.

The company's 24 percent stake in Alibaba has turned into Yahoo's crown jewel as the Chinese company prepares to go public.

Yahoo's report provided a tantalizing peek at how rapidly Alibaba has been growing. The numbers covered last year's fourth quarter because there is a three-month lag before Yahoo books its portion of Alibaba's earnings. Alibaba's fourth-quarter earnings more than doubled from the previous year to \$1.4 billion while its revenue surged 66 percent to \$3.06 billion.

The performance reinforced hopes that Alibaba's market value could range somewhere between \$150 billion and \$200 billion when it goes public. That would put Yahoo in line for a huge windfall when it sells its Alibaba stake, providing money to expand its reach through acquisitions and buy back more of its stock.

The expected gains from the Alibaba investment is the main reason Yahoo's stock has more than doubled since Yahoo hired Mayer from Google Inc. in July 2012 to revive its ad sales.

Yahoo's stock gained \$2.29, or nearly 7 percent, to \$36.50 in Tuesday's extended trading. Mayer still hasn't been able to snap Yahoo out of an advertising funk that began six years ago, although some segments showed modest improvements in the first quarter. In a heartening sign, Yahoo's display ad revenue crept up by 2 percent from the same time last year, after subtracting commissions from ad partners. That was the first uptick in Yahoo's first-quarter display ad revenue in three years. □

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Yahoo president and CEO Marissa Mayer speaks during a keynote address at the International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas. Yahoo Inc. reported positive quarterly earnings after the market closed on Tuesday, April 15, 2014. (AP Photo/Julie Jacobson)

**Intel reports lower 1Q income, higher revenue**

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**NEW YORK (AP)** —

Intel's earnings fell in the first three months of the year amid a continued slump in the worldwide PC market, but revenue grew slightly because of solid demand for tablet processors and its data center services.

Intel Corp. is the world's largest maker of microprocessors, which act as the "brains" of computers. Intel has historically been strong in selling chips for personal computers, but that business is declining as people

buy smartphones and tablets instead. Intel has been slow to respond to that shift with lower-energy chips that mobile devices demand.

Intel has been working to change that. Besides coming out with mobile-friendly chips, Intel is also expanding into new technologies such as wearable devices and everyday appliances. It bought a maker of fitness trackers, Basis Science, this year. Intel Corp. said Tuesday that it earned \$1.95 billion, or 38 cents per share, in the January-March

quarter. That's down 5 percent from \$2.05 billion, or 40 cents per share, a year earlier.

Revenue grew 1 percent to \$12.8 billion from \$12.6 billion. Analysts, on average, were expecting earnings of 37 cents per share on revenue of \$12.8 billion. Although revenue for the PC business fell, Intel saw signs of improvement. The company also credited solid growth in data centers and said it shipped 5 million tablet processors. Chief executive Brian Krzanic described that as

"strong progress on our goal of 40 million tablets for 2014."

There are signs that the steep PC slump is easing, though it may be a temporary bump from Microsoft's retirement of the Windows XP operating system, which it launched in 2001.

Last week, research firms Gartner and IDC said that although global PC shipments declined in the first three months of the year for the eighth straight quarter, the decline was not as steep as in the last quarter of 2013. □

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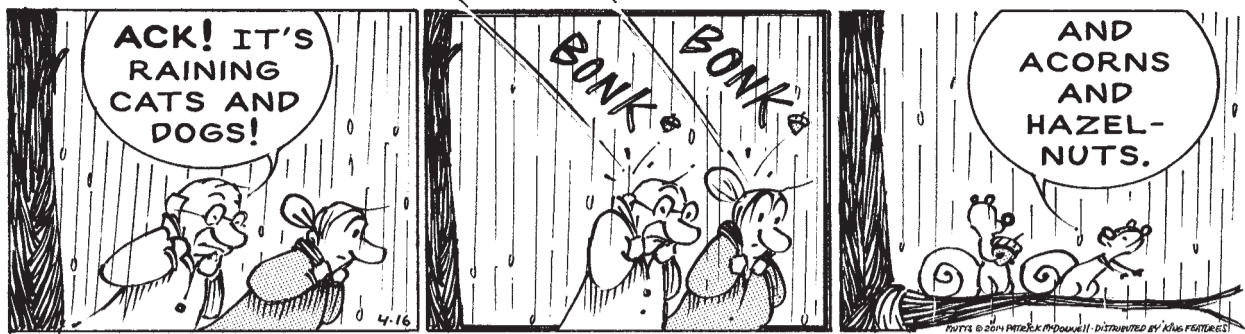
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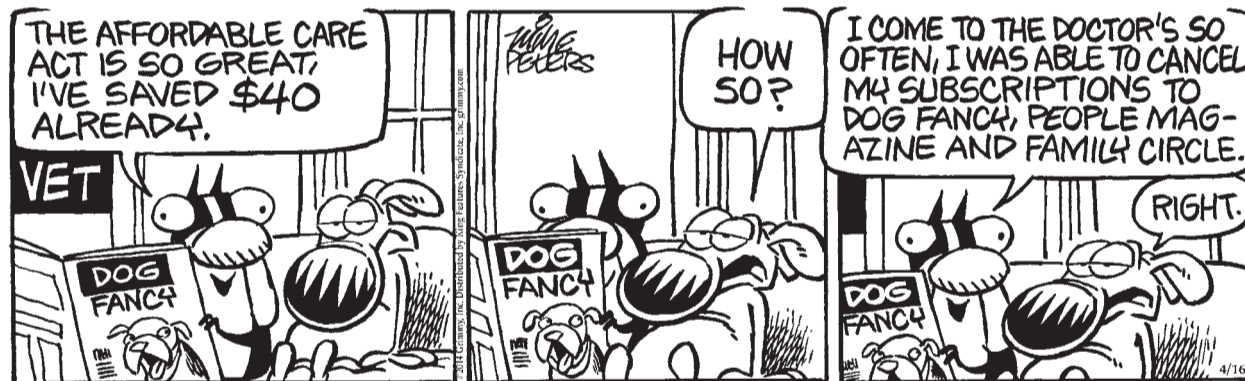
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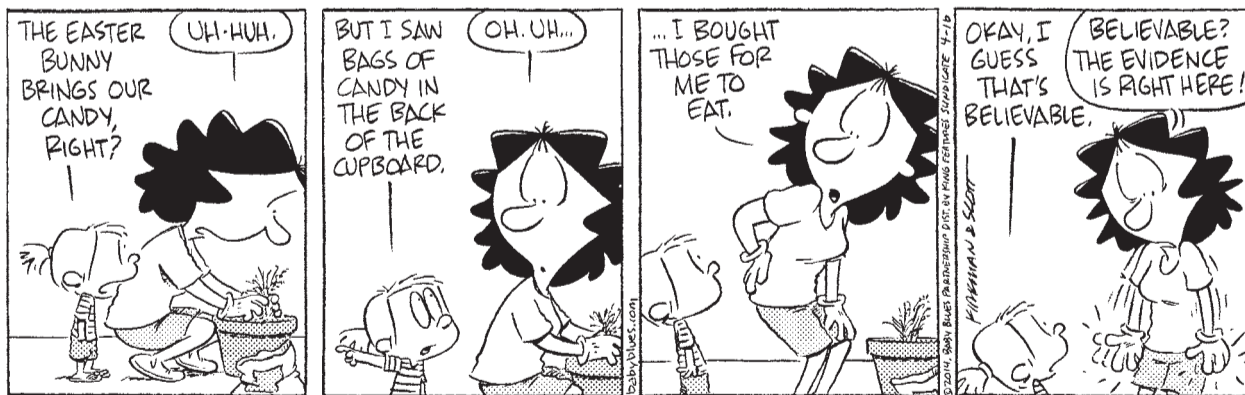
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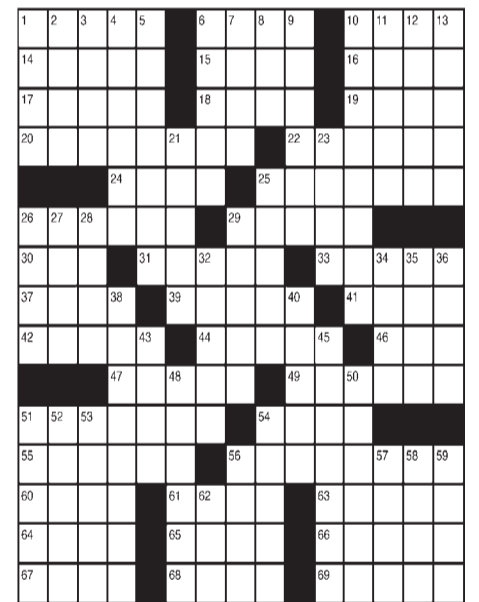
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Yesterday's puzzle answer

4	6	7	5	2	9	3	8	1
1	9	2	4	8	3	7	5	6
5	3	8	1	7	6	2	9	4
8	5	4	9	3	7	1	6	2
7	2	3	8	6	1	9	4	5
9	1	6	2	5	4	8	7	3
2	7	1	6	9	5	4	3	8
3	8	5	7	4	2	6	1	9
6	4	9	3	1	8	5	2	7

**ACROSS**

- 1 Wise men
- 6 Trim a lawn's border
- 10 Unwanted e-mail
- 14 Rental car agency
- 15 Regretted
- 16 "\_\_\_ or not..."; Hamlet's query
- 17 At no time
- 18 Once more
- 19 Ms. Fitzgerald
- 20 Work out
- 22 Stir from sleep
- 24 Dancer and actor \_\_\_ Kelly
- 25 Election before the election
- 26 Saloon
- 29 Military chaplain
- 30 "When Irish Eyes \_\_\_ Smiling"
- 31 Middle East nation
- 33 Build
- 37 Unassuming
- 39 Alex Haley novel
- 41 On \_\_\_; offered at a lower price
- 42 France's capital
- 44 Beginning; start
- 46 Actor's signal
- 47 In \_\_\_; weeping
- 49 Curved beams overhead
- 51 Painful boil
- 54 Threesome
- 55 Lullaby composer
- 56 Naughtiness
- 60 \_\_\_ a heart; be compassionate
- 61 Malicious
- 63 Nairobi's nation
- 64 Kiln
- 65 Location
- 66 Amount that is about 1 quart
- 67 Cincinnati team
- 68 \_\_\_ up; arranges
- 69 Wear away



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**Tuesday's Puzzle Solved**

FAME	LOCAL	SPEW
IRON	ABUSE	TAXI
BEND	METHODICAL	
SAT	BAYS	ENEMY
PURRS	RAG	
CAESAR	KANSAS	
OWLET	CLEFS	VIM
LAIR	SHEET	SAGA
DIE	STAIN	YARNS
TREMOR	PARISH	
RIP	MANIC	
ABBOT	POLK	IRS
BRIDEGROOM	FOOL	
LAKE	APPLE	RUSE
EYED	SMEAR	ISAW

**DOWN**

- 1 Of sound mind
- 2 TV's Trebek
- 3 \_\_\_ up; threw in the towel
- 4 Come forth
- 5 Witchcraft
- 6 Clear the slate
- 7 Sand mound
- 8 "\_\_\_ whiz!"
- 9 Actor \_\_\_ James Olmos
- 10 Pots for cooking rice
- 11 Lively dance
- 12 More qualified
- 13 AFL leader George \_\_\_
- 21 \_\_\_ tube; beach toy
- 23 Metal thread
- 25 Trousers
- 26 Pat down, as soil
- 27 Vicinity
- 28 Swerve
- 29 Lowly laborers
- 32 Anchors a boat
- 34 Every
- 35 Helpful hint
- 36 Golfing pegs
- 38 Cooking areas
- 40 Burns
- 43 Appear
- 45 Flow down drop by drop
- 48 Evaluate
- 50 Sharer of a will
- 51 Detest
- 52 Courageous
- 53 Rescued
- 54 Flooring pieces
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# U.N. climate report balances science and politics

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**BERLIN (AP)** — After racing against the clock in an all-night session, the U.N.'s expert panel on climate change was putting the final touches Saturday on a scientific guide to help governments, industries and regular people take action to stop global warming from reaching dangerous levels.

As always when the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change adopts one of its high-profile reports, the weeklong talks in Berlin were slowed by wrangling between scientists and governments over which words, charts and tables to use in the roughly 30-page summary of a much bigger scientific report.

The painstaking process is meant to clarify the complex world of climate science to non-scientists but it also reflects the brinkmanship that characterizes international talks on climate action — so far unsuccessful in their goal to stop the rise of man-made carbon emissions blamed for global warming.

"Sometimes it's framed as if what the IPCC does is 'just the facts, ma'am,' and that of course is not accurate," said Steve Rayner, an Oxford scientist who has taken part in three of the IPCC's previous assessments, but not this one.

"It's not pure science and it's not just politics," but a



In this Monday, April 7, 2014 file photo Ottmar Edenhofer, Co-Chairman of the IPCC Working Group III, Jochen Flasbarth, State Secretary of the German Environment Ministry, Rajendra K. Pachauri, Chairman of the IPCC, and Jochen Schuette, State Secretary of the German Science Ministry, from left, pose for the media prior to a meeting of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, IPCC, in Berlin, Germany. **Associated Press**

blend of both, Rayner said. In Berlin, the politics showed through in a dispute over how to categorize countries in graphs showing the world's carbon emissions, which are currently growing the fastest in China and other developing countries. Like many scientific studies, the IPCC draft used a breakdown of emissions from low, lower-middle, upper-middle and high income countries. Some developing countries objected and wanted the graphs to follow the example of U.N. climate talks and use just two categories — developed and developing — according

to three participants who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the IPCC session was closed to the public. In earlier submitted comments obtained by AP, the U.S. suggested footnotes indicating where readers could "view specific countries listed in each category in addition to the income brackets." That reflects a nagging dispute in the U.N. talks, which are supposed to produce a global climate agreement next year. The U.S. and other industrialized nations want to scrap the binary rich-poor division, saying large emerging economies such as China, Brazil and India must adopt more stringent emissions cuts than poorer countries. The developing countries are worried it's a way for rich countries to shirk their own responsibilities to cut emissions.

The deadlock over the graphs appeared to have ended early Saturday after 20 hours of backroom negotiations led by IPCC vice chairman Jean-Pascal van Ypersele, a Belgian. "I offered some Belgian Easter chocolate eggs to the participants of the Contact group at midnight: they helped!" van Ypersele wrote on Twitter early Saturday. Another snag: oil-rich Saudi Arabia objected to text saying emissions need to go down by 40 percent to 70 percent by 2050 for the world to stay below 2 degrees C (3.6 F) of warming, participants told AP. One participant said the Saudis were concerned that putting down such a range was "policy-prescriptive," even though it reflects what the science says. The final document, to be released Sunday, is expected to say that a

global shift to renewable energy from fossil fuels like oil and coal are required to avoid potentially devastating sea level rise, flooding, droughts and other impacts of warming.

The report on mitigating climate change was the third of the IPCC's four-part assessment on climate change, its first since 2007. Swedish environmental economist Thomas Sterner, a lead author of one of the chapters in the report, said the IPCC process can be frustrating to scientists.

"There's a fight over every comma sign," he told AP. In a blog post from Berlin he said scientists addressing the meeting were told to "Keep our statements short and concise, avoid jargon, do not lecture the delegates, do not become emotional." Chris Field, who co-chaired another IPCC session in Japan last month and sits on the panel's executive committee but did not have a direct role in the Berlin session, said one way to think about the process is that scientists have control of a two-way valve and can move findings into or out of the summary for policymakers. The governments have a one-way valve and can only move things out of the document.

"The role of this one-way valve is important in thinking about why the findings of the IPCC always feel so measured and carefully couched," he said. Many of the government interventions are "incredibly helpful" in making the text clearer, he added. "It is a pretty amazing process. But some of the interventions are not quite as time efficient." □

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# Pfister, Depp reunite for sci-fi 'Transcendence'

JESSICA HERNDON

AP Film Writer

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — For more than a decade, cinematographer Wally Pfister brought director Christopher Nolan's cinematic visions to life. Now, he's the one calling the shots.

His directorial debut, the new sci-fi mystery "Transcendence," has many elements of a Nolan blockbuster — eye-popping visual effects, a mind-bending story and an A-list lead in Johnny Depp. All of those things translate into high expectations for Pfister, who jokingly likens his newly christened director's seat to an "electric chair." In the film releasing Friday, the mind of Depp's terminally ill scientist, Will Caster, is uploaded into a computer after his death, spawning an eerily unruly machine. At the heart of the story is the disrupted relationship of Will and his wife, Evelyn, played by Rebecca Hall.

"Transcendence," which was executive-produced by Nolan and written by

first-time screenwriter Jack Paglen, hooked Pfister because of the emotional weight put on the study of husband and wife and the increasing reliance on technology. "We start to wonder where it's all going to go," he says.

"We are dependent on technology. It's got us," affirmed Depp in a recent joint interview to promote the film.

Depp, 50, first met Pfister, 52, when they worked on Paul McCartney's 2012 video for his romantic ballad "My Valentine," in which Depp and Natalie Portman starred and Pfister was the director of photography.

"I was immediately intrigued and curious from (the) initial reading," says Depp of "Transcendence."

"So many things come into my mind as far as the dangers of technology. Say I'm suddenly holding a gun," Depp illustrates, lifting his left hand as his formidable engagement ring with Amber Heard sparkles. "The gun is not inherently bad. It's a tool. It's what we do



This Saturday, April 5, 2014 photo shows actor Johnny Depp, right, and director Walter Pfister during the "Transcendence" film press junket at the Four Seasons Hotel, in Los Angeles.

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with it. I think it's the same with technology."

For his first directing gig, Pfister, who's worked on everything from "Memento" to "The Dark Knight Rises," swayed from doing a big action film.

"I'd done a lot as a cinematographer," he says.

"What was important was telling some sort of character-driven story. Exploring human emotion. That is the logical reason to jump from visual storytelling to narrative."

Nolan will also release a thought-provoking sci-fi film this year: the time trav-

el-focused "Interstellar," out in November. But Pfister assures he's not in competition with his long-time collaborator. "Chris is an old friend," he says. "He has been incredibly supportive of my move into this."

The two filmmakers even shared crew members, including folks in the makeup, special effects, equipment, casting and editorial departments. But while "Transcendence" was shooting, Nolan remained hands-off.

"Chris never came to the set," says camera operator Scott Sakamoto, who worked on both movies. "I think Chris let Wally take the reins and go with it to see how well he would do." Although "Transcendence" marks the start of a new phase in Pfister's career, he tackled the job with the ease of a veteran. "He's (an) experienced filmmaker," says Depp. "But there are times when you look at a situation with a first-time director and you don't know. But never was there a stumble."

Depp's Will in the film is sharp, warm and ambitious. But he ventures into dangerous territory when his mind is uploaded into an operating system that's connected to the Internet. Soon, powerful and often-abusive capabilities verge on catastrophic results. □

## China Film takes 1st stake in Hollywood movies

KELVIN CHAN

AP Business Writer

**HONG KONG (AP)** — China's state-owned film distributor is making its first investment in Hollywood movies by taking a stake in two Legendary Entertainment productions.

China Film Co. will make an "eight-figure equity investment" in two upcoming films, "Seventh Son" and "Warcraft," the Chinese unit of Legendary Entertainment said Tuesday. The exact amount of the U.S. dollar investment was not specified.

"Seventh Son" is a fantasy adventure starring Jeff Bridges and Julianne Moore that's scheduled for release on Feb. 6, 2015. "Warcraft," based on a popular video game series, is slated for release March 11, 2016. If approved for release in China, China Film

would distribute the movies under current rules and regulations for foreign films, which are limited to just 34 a year. The deal calls for China Film to be credited on the movies.

China Film, which is planning to go public, owns stakes in movie theater chains that make up half of the country's box office receipts. Its parent, China Film Group, is the gatekeeper for foreign studios because it controls film imports and co-productions. The projects are the first since Legendary and China Film teamed up about a year ago to produce global blockbusters. It's one of a number of recent tie-ups between companies in the world's two biggest movie markets.

As box-office revenue growth flattens out at home, Hollywood studies



This undated publicity photo released by courtesy Warner Bros. Pictures, shows Ben Barnes, left, as Tom Ward, and Jeff Bridges, as Master Gregory, in Warner Bros. Pictures' and Legendary Pictures' fantasy action adventure film, "Seventh Son," a Warner Bros. Pictures release.

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are keen to move into China, now the world's second biggest movie market with \$3.6 billion in ticket sales last year. China's leaders hope that entertainment companies can benefit from the joint ventures by acquiring know-how to de-

velop their own cultural industries in order to expand influence abroad.

Legendary Entertainment's films include "The Dark Knight" and "Hangover" trilogies and last year's sci-fi action adventure "Pacific Rim." □

## Strahan's 'GMA' side job confirmed with his visit

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Michael Strahan has made good on reports that he's joining "Good Morning America" by paying a visit to the ABC breakfast show on Tuesday.

The former football star and current co-host with Kelly Ripa of "Live With Kelly and Michael" got a red-carpet welcome from the "GMA" team.

Anchor Robin Roberts expressed excitement that Strahan will be there "a couple of days a week."

Then the cast presented him with an alarm clock and a huge coffee cup. His brief appearance ended with promises he'll be back "next week."

Strahan joins Roberts, George Stephanopoulos, Amy Robach, Lara Spencer and Ginger Zee on television's top-rated morning show.



In this April 2, 2014 file photo, Michael Strahan attends the opening night performance of "A Raisin in the Sun" in New York. Associated Press

Unconfirmed reports of Strahan's new part-time gig surfaced early this month. He has said this side job won't affect his daily duties hosting "Live." □

## Walker's brothers to help finish 'Fast & Furious'



In this April 29, 2011 file photo, actor Paul Walker poses during the photo call of the movie "Fast and Furious 5," in Rome. Associated Press

**JAKE COYLE**  
AP Film Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Paul Walker's brothers are stepping to help finish filming on "Fast & Furious 7," the film Walker was in the midst of making when he died in November.

Caleb Walker and Cody Walker have been enlisted

to complete their brother's action scenes and "fill in small gaps left in production," Universal Pictures said in a statement Tuesday on the film's Facebook page.

"Having them on set has made us feel that Paul is with us too," read the statement.

Production on "Fast & Furious 7" recently resumed after it was suspended following Walker's death.

The 40-year-old Walker died in a car crash on Nov. 30 outside Los Angeles along with his friend Roger Rodas. A police investigation found the Porsche that Rodas was driving was traveling up to 94 mph when it went out of control.

The release of "Fast & Furious 7" was delayed to April 2015 following Walker's death. The film, which is directed by James Wan and also stars Vin Diesel and Tyrese Gibson, has since been adjusted to incorporate the footage shot with Walker and give his character some kind of send-off.

"It will allow the character of Brian O'Conner to live on and let us celebrate Paul in his most defining role," read the statement. □

## Dance show 'Soul Train' may boogie onto Broadway

**MARK KENNEDY**  
AP Drama Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — The groundbreaking song-and-dance show "Soul Train" is chugging toward Broadway.

Stage and film producer Matthew Weaver, who helped create "Rock of Ages," has acquired the theatrical stage rights to the TV show and said Tuesday he's hoping to repeat his success by turning "Soul Train" into a show that attracts both die-hard Broadway fans and those who usually avoid Times Square.

"I'm nervous and I'm humbled and I'm excited," said Weaver, who heads the production company MediaWeaver Entertainment. "I do think we're the right people to do it because I think it's got to have that spirit of 'Rock of Ages,' which is part old-fashioned musical but also part party."

"Soul Train," with its trademark animated train opening, provided a national, weekly showcase for R&B artists, black culture and fashion, and gave advertisers an entree to the black consumer market. It later had to compete with video shows on BET that broadcast black artists, and eventually MTV and VH-1.

The TV show, a sort of black ver-



This March 6, 2006 file photo shows Don Cornelius, the founder of "Soul Train" at his office in Los Angeles.

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sion of "American Bandstand," featured such acts as James Brown, Al Green, Ike and Tina Turner, Hall & Oates, Donna Summer, Marvin Gaye, The Jackson 5, Aretha Franklin, Stevie Wonder, Elton John, Whitney Houston, David Bowie, Prince, Run D.M.C. and Destiny's Child during its 35-year run. Moves that "Soul Train" dancers developed spread nationwide. Don Cornelius started the music

and dance show in 1970 in Chicago and served as its host until 1993. It aired in syndication from 1971 until 2006 and spun off an awards show that is still aired. Cornelius killed himself in 2012.

Weaver recalled growing up in New York and making sure to watch "Soul Train" every Saturday morning, mesmerized by the dance, fashion and music. He plans to next hire a writer and get

music rights. His only timeframe for the stage is "when the story's right." "'Rock of Ages' is an awesome show, but it's not just because we have 'Sister Christian' and 'Don't Stop Believin' and serve liquor in the aisles that that show is still running five years later. It's still running because we have a great story and great characters," said Weaver.

"To me, that's the heart of 'Soul Train' — a great story and great characters. The music will be great, the fashion will be great, the ambiance, the vibe. But if you don't have a good story, none of that means anything."

Weaver, who produced such films as "We're the Millers" and "The Heartbreak Kid," has grown "Rock of Ages" into an international brand, with a film version, three national tours and productions of the show in Las Vegas, London, Australia, Toronto, Japan and South Korea.

With 35 years of music on "Soul Train," Weaver has plenty of song possibilities, depending on what the final story is. But he's hopeful he can build a powerful score. "We had a lot of luck on 'Rock,' so hopefully we have the same karma here," he said. □

## The Apple Chronicles



**JOE NOCERA**  
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So they're at it again, Apple and Samsung, fighting over patents in a courtroom in San Jose, Calif. They had a similar fight in 2012, in the same courtroom, which Apple won. Samsung has also won its share of these legal battles, including in Australia.

This time around, Apple alleges that Samsung has violated five of its patents, including the one that allows iPhone users to slide their finger across the bottom of the screen to unlock it. One of its experts testified the other day that Samsung should be forced to pay more than \$2 billion for the harm done. Samsung, meanwhile, has retaliated by accusing Apple of violating several of its patents. The legal bills alone have to be running into the tens of millions of dollars.

Perhaps it is just coincidence that this latest trial coincides with the publication of a book by Yukari Iwatani Kane, titled "Haunted Empire: Apple After Steve Jobs." The coincidence is nonetheless telling. (Disclosure: Kane devotes several pages to a phone call I got from Steve Jobs in 2008 when I was working on a column about Apple's unwillingness to disclose details of his health problems.)

The Apple that Kane chronicles in "Haunted Empire" is not the same company she used to cover as a reporter for The Wall Street Journal, when Jobs was alive. That Apple was fearless in its willingness to take risks and bring innovative products to market. This Apple, the post-Jobs Apple, has become risk-averse, its innovative capacity reduced to making small tweaks on products it has already brought to market. Although its leadership still talks a good game, it has so far been unable to deliver on the kind of knock-your-socks-off products for which Apple was once famous. Part of this was inevitable. Jobs was a once-in-a-generation leader, with product instincts that just aren't replicable. It is a sobering tale of what happens when a corporation becomes so reliant on one man.

But there are other reasons, too. Kane tracks down Clayton Christensen, the Harvard Business School professor and author of the famous business book, "The Innovator's Dilemma." The book documents how companies stop innovating as they reach a certain critical mass and become

more concerned with protecting what they have rather than chasing for the new. This makes them vulnerable to newer competitors.

"By the time those companies paid attention to the cheap, new innovations they had initially ignored, it was usually too late," writes Kane, paraphrasing Christensen. Apple, Christensen believed, had long been the exception to his rule. Now, he feared, it was facing the innovator's dilemma, just as other big companies did.

Meanwhile, the stock market was souring on Apple, and even Carl Icahn was poking around, urging Tim Cook, Jobs' successor as chief executive, to hand some of its enormous cash hoard to shareholders.

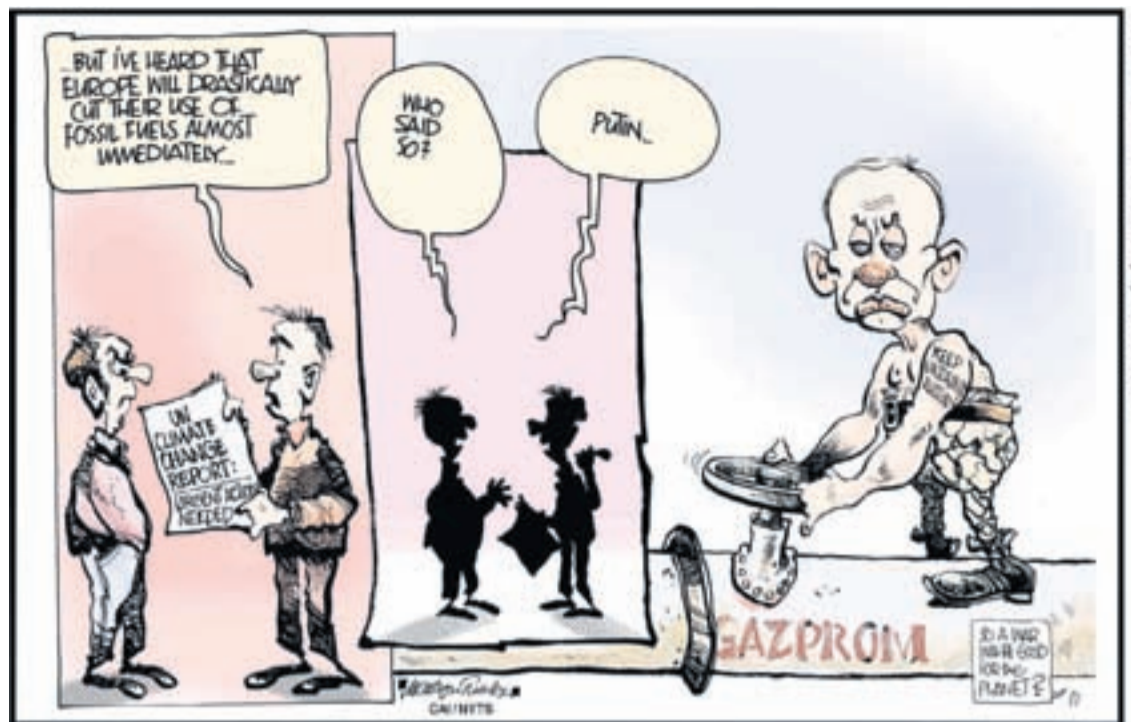
The only real way to stave off further decline is to come out with a product that establishes a whole new category - the way the iPad did in 2010. But that seems unlikely.

"Outside the echo chamber of Apple's headquarters, the notion of the company's exceptionalism has been shattered," Kane writes.

Which brings me back to the litigation with Samsung - the company that is coming to market with products that are every bit as good as Apple's, and at a lower price to boot. This never-ending litigation is yet another sign that Apple is becoming a spent force. Suing each other "is not what innovative companies do," said Robin Feldman, a patent law expert at the University of California, Hastings College of the Law.

Nor has the lawsuit been going smoothly for Apple. One document revealed during the trial was an internal Apple presentation, a slide of which read, "Consumers want what we don't have" - meaning inexpensive phones with large screens, which Apple doesn't sell. In the earlier trial, although Apple won a verdict against Samsung, the judge refused to force Samsung to remove certain products from the market, as Apple had demanded. Instead, the case had the perverse effect of validating "the Korean company as a worthy rival and supplied it with free advertising," writes Kane.

These patent war cases can be - and should be - easily settled, as everyone in the business knows. Every smartphone company is now armed to the teeth with patents, and the most sensible way to deal with the issue is to cross-license the patents. Then the companies can get back to the business of innovating. Apple's utter refusal to do so suggests that it has become less interested - or less capable - of innovating and more interested in protecting what it has already brought to market. Or, as Apple's former general counsel, Nancy Heinen, tells Kane, "When patent lawyers become rock stars, it is a bad sign for where an industry is headed." □



## Go Ahead, Vladimir, Make My Day



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So the latest news is that President Vladimir Putin of Russia has threatened to turn off gas supplies to Ukraine if Kiev doesn't pay its overdue bill, and, by the way, Ukraine's pipelines are the transit route for 15 percent of gas consumption for Europe. If I'm actually rooting for Putin to go ahead and shut off the gas, does that make me a bad guy?

Because that is what I'm rooting for, and I'd be happy to subsidize Ukraine through the pain. Because such an oil shock, though disruptive in the short run, could have the same long-term impact as the 1973 Arab oil embargo - only more so. That 1973 embargo led to the first auto mileage standards in America and propelled the solar, wind and energy efficiency industries. A Putin embargo today would be even more valuable because it would happen at a time when the solar, wind, natural gas and energy efficiency industries are all poised to take off and scale. So Vladimir, do us all a favor, get crazy, shut off the oil and gas to Ukraine and, even better, to all of Europe. Embargo! You'll have a great day, and the rest of the planet will have a great century. "Clean energy is at an inflection point," explains Hal Harvey, CEO of Energy Innovation. "The price reductions in the last five years have been nothing less than spectacular: Solar cells, for example, have dropped in cost by more than 80 percent in the last

five years. This trend is underway, if a bit less dramatically, for wind, batteries, solid state lighting, new window technologies, vehicle drive trains, grid management, and more. What this means is that clean energy is moving from boutique to mainstream, and that opens up a wealth of opportunities."

New houses in California now use three-fourths of the energy they used 25 years ago, Harvey added. Chevrolet, Dodge and Ford are in a contest to make the most efficient pickup - because their customers want to spend less on gasoline - so they are deploying new engines and lighter truck bodies. Texas now has enough wind to power more than 3 million homes. New Jersey generates more solar watts per person than California.

And check out Opower, which just went public. Opower works with utilities and consumers to lower electricity usage and bills using behavioral economics, explained Alex Laskey, the company's co-founder, at their Arlington, Va., office. They do it by giving people personalized communications that display in simple, clear terms how their own energy usage compares with that of their neighbors. Once people understand where they are wasting energy - and how they compare with their neighbors - many start consuming less. And, as their consumption falls, utilities can meet their customers' demand without having to build new power plants to handle peak loads a few days of the year. Everybody wins. Opower just signed up the Tokyo Electric Power Co. and its 20 million homes.

Putting all its customers together since it was founded in 2007, said Laskey, Opower has already saved about "4 terawatt hours of energy" and expects to be soon saving that annually. The Hoover Dam produces about 4 terawatts hours of energy a year. So we just got a new Hoover Dam - for free - in Arlington, Va.

A gas embargo by Putin would also reinforce the message of

the United Nations' latest climate report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, which warned with greater confidence than ever that human-created carbon emissions are steadily melting more ice, creating more dangerous sea level rise, stressing ecosystems around the globe and creating more ocean acidification, from oceans absorbing more CO<sub>2</sub>, posing "a fundamental challenge to marine organisms and ecosystems."

Sunday, at 10 p.m. Eastern time, Showtime will begin airing a compelling nine-part series, called "Years of Living Dangerously," about how environmental and climate stresses affect real people. The first episode features Harrison Ford confronting Indonesian officials about the runaway deforestation in one of their national parks, Don Cheadle following evangelicals in Texas wrestling with the tension between their faith and what is happening to their environment, and this columnist exploring how the prolonged drought in Syria contributed to the uprising there. The ninth episode is an in-depth interview with President Barack Obama on environment and climate issues. I asked Harrison Ford, a longtime board member of Conservation International, whether working on the documentary left him feeling it was all too late.

"It isn't too late; it can't be too late," he said. "Is it too late to teach our kids the difference between right and wrong? If we are not ready to redress something happening on our watch, how can we expect our kids to do something about it?" Remember, he added, "nature will be just fine without us. Nature doesn't need people. People need nature. That is why we can't save ourselves without saving nature." Ford is right. We can still do this. We are closer to both irreversible dangers on climate and scale solutions on clean tech than people realize. Just a little leadership now by America - or a little scare by Putin - would make a big difference. □

# A Fresh Take on the Easter Ham

**SAM SIFTON**

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Norman Van Aken, the Miami chef and restaurateur, will spend Easter weekend in Key West this year with family, he said, in the town where his career began. On the menu: "Ham for a horde."

"It's an old Key West recipe that we put a spin on with a rum and sugar and black pepper glaze," he said. "A fresh ham cooked low and slow until we add the paint at the end."

Wait, a fresh ham?

"A fresh ham," Van Aken said.

Americans are starting to break free of the smokehouse, to move beyond

York's West Village, Jason Fox, one of the owners, is boning out fresh hams from the whole Tamworth and Old Spot pigs the shop buys from Autumn's Harvest Farms in Romulus, N.Y., studding them with cloves and offering them as an Easter special, along with regular bone-in fresh hams. "They eat black walnuts in the woods and forage for vegetables," he said of the pigs. "The meat is actually red."

A simple route to fresh-ham perfection involves merely scoring the skin of the ham in a diamond pattern, then rubbing a mixture of salt and pepper all over the skin, pressing it down into

with a mixture of balsamic vinegar, maple syrup and cinnamon, as well as with the fat in the bottom of the pan. The rind will grow crisper and darker along the way. When the meat has reached an internal temperature of 145 degrees, pull it from the oven to rest. The temperature will continue to rise as it does.

As the ham sits, make a simple gravy out of the juices remaining in the pan, and serve it in a gravy boat alongside the meat. Then dress the ham with a shower of ground toasted pecans and crystallized ginger - these provide a brightness and heat that nicely complement the

"Do you know the definition of eternity?" Van Aken asked, channeling Dorothy Parker. "Two people and a ham."

## GLAZED HAM

Time: 3 1/2 to 4 hours

Yield: 10 to 12 servings

1 10- to 12-pound butt or shank portion fresh ham, skin on

4 teaspoons kosher salt

4 teaspoons ground black pepper

1 cup maple syrup

1/2 cup balsamic vinegar

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/2 cup pecans, toasted

1/2 cup candied ginger

1. Heat oven to 450 degrees. Using a sharp knife,

ham hourly with mixture, as well as with fat from the bottom of the pan, roasting until the very center of the ham reaches an internal temperature of 145 degrees, 2 1/2 to 3 hours total cooking time. (Begin checking at 2 hours, inserting a meat thermometer into the absolute center of the roast.)

3. Put the toasted pecans and candied ginger into a food processor and pulse lightly until crumbled and well combined.

4. When ham is done, remove it from roasting pan, shower with pecan-ginger mixture and cover it loosely with foil. Allow the meat to rest for 20 to 30 minutes. (Its internal temperature will rise to 150 or more as it rests.)

5. Tip roasting pan to the side so you can spoon off all the fat from the pan juices, then place pan on stove over medium-high heat. Scrape the bottom of pan to free any browned bits, skim any film off surface and season liquid as needed with salt and pepper. Pour into a gravy boat.

6. Carve ham into thick slices, drizzle with pan sauce and serve, passing remaining sauce on the side.

## PICKLEBACK SLAW

Time: 20 minutes

Yield: 6 to 8 servings

1 small head green cabbage

1 small head red cabbage

2 carrots, peeled and grated

2 tart apples, like Granny Smith, peeled and cut into matchsticks

1/2 cup mayonnaise, preferably homemade or Hellmann's

3 tablespoons juice from a pickle jar, or of pickle relish

1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

1 tablespoon cider vinegar

2 teaspoons pepper sauce, like Frank's, or to taste

Kosher salt

Ground black pepper

1. Cut the cabbages in half and remove the core from each side. Cut each half in half and slice each resulting quarter into thin ribbons. Mix with carrots and apples in a large nonreactive bowl.

2. In a separate bowl, whisk together the remaining ingredients.

3. Pour the dressing over the cabbage and toss. Season to taste. The coleslaw may be covered with plastic wrap and refrigerated. Toss again before serving. □



Fresh ham with maple-balsamic glaze in New York, April 9, 2014. Fresh-ham perfection involves scoring the skin in a diamond pattern, rubbing in salt and pepper, then roasting slowly.

(Andrew Scrivani/The New York Times)

the salt-cured hams of Easter's past, thinking beyond pink.

Fresh ham makes for an elegant - but not at all fancy - holiday centerpiece, a roast that holds none of the freight associated with roast beef (so expensive!), turkey (again?) or the traditional pink ham of the season (at its worst both watery and dry). It is not as nondenominational as lamb, to be sure. But for many, a fresh ham is a herald of spring.

At Hudson & Charles, a new butcher shop in New

York's West Village, Jason Fox, one of the owners, is boning out fresh hams from the whole Tamworth and Old Spot pigs the shop buys from Autumn's Harvest Farms in Romulus, N.Y., studding them with cloves and offering them as an Easter special, along with regular bone-in fresh hams. "They eat black walnuts in the woods and forage for vegetables," he said of the pigs. "The meat is actually red."

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bark of the skin and the luscious meat beneath it. Accompany with side dishes that evoke the changing season. This year, for me, that means baked beans from the New England larder that nod to the sweetness of the glaze, and a colorful slaw that evokes springtime while using up the last of the winter cabbages and the pickling liquid from some fancy store-bought pickles.

score entire surface of ham in a diamond pattern, cutting down just through the skin to the flesh underneath. (If you are cutting to the right depth, the skin will spread apart a bit as you cut.) Rub outside of ham all over with salt and pepper, pressing it into crosshatch spaces between the skin.

Put roast on a rack in a large roasting pan and place in oven.

2. After 20 minutes, reduce oven to 300 degrees. In a small bowl, whisk together maple syrup, balsamic vinegar and cinnamon. Baste